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March 1st, 1909.

Mr. William T. Ellis,

Swarthmore, Pa.

My dear Mr. Ellis:

The article entitled "The Perils of the Advanced Christian Life" was an address delivered at Northfield some five years ago, I think, and printed in the RECORD OF CHRISTIAN WORK. It was later cut down and printed in the STUDENT WORLD, the magazine of the World Student Federation, and I think you could get a copy of the fuller address by writing to the RECORD OF CHRISTIAN WORK, Northfield, Mass. and of the shorter article by writing to Mr. H.T. Anderson, 124 East 28th Street, New York. I should be glad to send you a copy of it if I had one on hand.

I hope that you have gotten rested a bit after all the strenuous campaigning which you have been putting in.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Feb. 27th.

March 1st, 1906.

Mrs. W. Miller,

135 Park Street,

Montclair, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Miller:

Your kind note of February 22nd has been received. It would be a pleasure to come to take part in the Lenten Services if I could hope to get the time for it, but I have already more than I can hope to accomplish in the work that waits to be done day by day, and I expect to go to South America the first week in May, which means that a great many things that otherwise would go over into the Spring or Summer must be done within the next two months, so that I shall have to refrain from making any more engagements and shall have difficulty in filling those which I have made.

I hope you may have a good series of meetings, and with kind regards to Mr. Miller and yourself, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Feb. 27th.

March 1st, 1909.

The Rev. W.M.Hackenburg,

Dayton, OHIO.

My dear Mr. Hackenburg:

Your good note of February 17th has been received. I am sorry to have to say that it will not be possible for me to come to the Convention in Springfield. I expect to sail for South America the first week in May, so far as I can now plan definitely in advance, to be gone for some months. I hope that you may have a good Convention, and regret that I cannot have the pleasure of attending.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Feb. 27th.

March 1st, 1909.

Mr. R.J.Miller,

209 - 9th Street,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mr. Miller:

I have no objection whatever to your using the address to which you refer, in your Young People's paper. If it can be made to accomplish good in any way, I shall be grateful.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Feb. 27th.

March 1st, 1909.

Mr. C.C.Trumbull,

1051 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Charlie:

I enclose, herewith, another of the articles in the Paul series. I have written the remaining articles of the series and shall hope to send them to you shortly. Some of them I fear may be too long, just as the earlier ones were, but in that case I hope you will not hesitate to cut out as many paragraphs as may be necessary to bring them within the proper limits.

I enclose, also, the Young People's column for the first four Sundays in May, and shall hope to send you, within a few days, the remaining copy for the first six months of the year. It is practically settled now that I must go to South America early in May, so that if you want me to carry the Young People's Meetings beyond the six months, it will be necessary for me to consider at once whether I could get the material ready before going. This might be a good opportunity in case you feel that you would like to drop this department from the paper, or it may be that it would be to the advantage of the paper to have someone else provide this column. If, however, you want me to consider going on with it, I shall have to do that at once, in view of my long absence. I don't know whether I could be sure of getting all the work done before leaving.

I shall try to look over the booklet on "How to Speak Effectively Without Notes," and see what changes need to be made [illegible] I won't have much time to enlarge it, though I [illegible]

so at some points if possible.

It was so good to see you and Aline last Sunday. I wish I could have had some more time with you. I hope you and she will be coming over some time before long, so that we can see you in Englewood.

Ever affectionately yours.

Enclosures.

Dictated Feb. 27th.

March 1st, 1900.

Mr. James K. Penfield,

Delhi, New York.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of enquiry of February 24th. I know nothing whatever regarding either the Sterling Debenture Corporation or the Stony Brook Assembly. I have received communications from the former regarding other forms of investment than the Stony Brook Association, but have never given any attention to them. The Association has among its officers and managers many thoroughly trustworthy men, and I am venturing to send your letter to Dr. Stevenson, whose name I notice on the Board, with the request that he answer it. You can trust unreservedly whatever Dr. Stevenson may say. As to the Sterling Debenture Corporation, I think if I were you I would make enquiries regarding it through your bank at Delhi. The bank with which it corresponds in New York City would doubtless tell of the financial character and standing of the Sterling Debenture Corporation.

If I knew anything regarding either the Association or the Corporation, I should be glad to tell you, but I know absolutely nothing regarding either. I have no recollection even of having received the invitation which the printed article which you sent said had been extended to me, to speak at the August Conference.

Very sincerely yours,

March 17th, 1916.

Mrs. M. A. Eason,

330 West 21st Street,

New York City.

My dear Mrs. Eason:-

I have been away quite a little recently and did not receive your note of February 15th until night before last.

I should be very glad to see Mr. Eason either Friday or Saturday of this week. I shall be in my office Saturday until four o'clock in the afternoon, and perhaps sometime between two and four that would be very convenient for me. Will [illegible] as well Saturday morning or Friday afternoon and should be very glad indeed to meet him.

Very sincerely yours,

March 4th, 1909.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor:-

I learned from Francis Butler, of New Haven, on Sunday, [illegible] alone. [illegible] you and Mrs. John were both so well, and I shall look forward joyfully to seeing you on the 14th.

I am sorry to have to ask you to release me from the appointment in May, for May 9th, and also from the tentative appointment in June, as I am expecting to sail on May 4th or 5th for South America, to be gone for six months, visiting our Missions in Brazil and Chili, and perhaps in Colombia.

I hope to get back the end of October, and should be glad to [illegible] we can speak about this when I next come over.

Elliott has been looking forward a long while to coming over with me some time, and if it is convenient, I may [illegible] 14th or April 18th. Perhaps the latter would be better, as the boys [illegible] on the way over.

With hearty welcome back from Emma and me, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

[illegible]

My dear Dr.Harris:-

I am very sorry to have to ask you to release me from

New York on May 5th. I am very sorry that this will mean my missing

this year the pleasure of my annual visit to Amherst.

Trusting that it may not inconvenience you at all, and with kind regards to Mrs. Harris, I am

[illegible], Mass.

[illegible]

Mass.

My dear [illegible]

[illegible] please
me [illegible] and I speak of the wages question on the [illegible]
of [illegible] I am very
[illegible]

Dictated [illegible]

March 6th, 1900.

Rev. John Calvin Goddard,

Salisbury,

CONN.

Please [illegible] my expense [illegible] Potter [illegible] Sunday

Robert [illegible] pear.

March 5th, 1909.

Mr. Clarence Schock,

Huntingdon,

Pa.

My dear Clarence:-

I am sorry that absence from New York prevented an earlier acknowledgment of the notice regarding the Annual Banquet and the payment of annual dues. I have pleasure in enclosing herewith my fees, and am sorry that I could not be present at the dinner. I hope that you had a good meeting, and, with best wishes for the prosperity of the Association, I am

Very truly yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

Enclosure.

March 6th, 1909.

The Rev. Archibald Durrie,

Box 93,

Kendrick, Idaho.

My dear Mr. Durrie:

Your interesting letter of February 24th has been received, and I trust the way may be opened for you to send your boy to Princeton, as you desire.

I was on the point of saying that I would forward your letter to the Chairman of the Committee of our Church charged with the duty of finding a new pastor, but on second thought, I do not think that would be helpful to you, because I am quite sure the Committee would not consider any application for the pastorate. If you could get Dr. Stevenson to write a strong and unqualified letter to Mr. Frederick D. Scheneck, Liberty National Bank, New York City, Chairman of our Church Committee, stating that he believed that you were just the man for our Church, and if Dr. Willis of Brooklyn and Dr. McMillan, formerly of the Home Board would write in the same way, I think Mr. Scheneck would bring the matter before the Committee.

This matter of suiting a Church to a pastor and a pastor to a Church is as delicate and mysterious as marriage, and I have come to the conclusion that the only really successful arrangements of this sort must be made where true marriages are made, namely, higher than earth.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 5th.

March 6th, 1903.

Mrs. Edward P. Eggleston,

239 Williams Street,

New London, CONN.

My dear Mrs. Eggleston:

Your kind note of February 27th is received.

It would be a pleasure to speak at the Annual Meeting of your branch of the Women's Board of Missions if I could do so, but I expect to be out of the country in June, - probably in South America.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 4th.

March 6th, 1920.

The Rev. Raymond C. Knox,
Columbia University,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Knox:

Your kind note of March 2nd is received.

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation, but I expect to be out of the country this Summer, probably in South America. I should be glad to be of service if I could.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 4th,

March 6th, 1909.

Miss Helen Temple Cooke,

Dana Hall,

Wellesley, MASS.

My dear Miss Cooke:

Your very kind note of March 1st has been received, and I should be delighted to accept your invitation if I were to be here in the country at that time, but our Board has instructed me to visit our Missions in South America this Summer, and I am expecting, if nothing prevents, to leave on May 4th or 5th for Brazil, to be gone until some time in October. I was about to say that if you could invite me a hear lence I should be glad to come, but I shall [illegible] in Edinburgh in June, 1910, in connection with the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE. In that case, you may be sure I shall be glad to come for 1911, if you should want me then. I enjoy thoroughly every visit to Dana Hall.

With kind regards, and regretting that I shall not be seeing you this Summer, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 4th.

March 6th, 1903.

Mr. H.W.Wagner,

Huntingdon, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wagner:

I should be very happy indeed to speak at the Huntingdon County Christian Endeavor Association in June if I were to be anywhere near Huntingdon at that time, but my present expectation is to leave for South America the first week in May, to be gone for about six months. I am very sorry, as I should have been delighted to attend the Convention if it were a possibility.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 4th.

March 4th, 1909.

The Rev. Henry W. Ballantine, D.D.,

Orlando, Florida.

My dear Dr. Ballantine:

Dr. Atterbury has suggested that you might be willing to write down some of your reminiscences and judgments of George Bowen. Dr. Atterbury may have told you of my great interest in Bowen, and my purpose some day to write a biography. With this in view, I have been gathering material for some years, and have in hand the best collection of material that there is. Bishop McDonald, who inherited George Bowen's papers, having turned them over to me, and a great many letters having been supplied by friends. I have been especially anxious, though, to get personal reminiscences, and especially matured expressions of judgment as to Bowen's personality and character and influence, from those who knew him personally. Would you not be willing to help out of your invaluable knowledge of him? I should be very grateful if you could do so, jotting down from time to time what occurs to you, and forwarding it as you jot it down, or accumulating it and sending it on together.

With kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 4th.

March 6th, 1909.

Mr. Nolan R. Best,

"The Interior,"

Chicago, Ills.

My dear Mr. Best:-

As you know, our church in Englewood, N. J., is now without a pastor.

Among the names that we have thought of as possibilities is that of the Rev. W. P. Merrill, of Chicago. Do you think that he would be just the right man for us? We have one of the nicest suburban churches around New York, of a membership of between five and six hundred, in a community of six or seven thousand, which has also another Presbyterian Church, reaching the people of moderate means, while our church would be regarded as the wealthy church of the community; and also Episcopal, Methodist, Roman Catholic, and Dutch Reformed Churches. I have never seen a nicer community than ours. There is a great deal of comfortable wealth without any splurge or foolish display. It is a community where an indolent minister would doubtless be glad to come, but it is not wanting an indolent minister. We want some one who can take hold of young people, that is attractive in his pastoral work, who can reach men of all classes without compromising his principles or making use of habits which are beneath the minister. We want a man who is a good preacher, but who preaches because he is a minister of men's souls, and who is not in the ministry simply to preach. We would rather have a man of about forty, if we could get him. Could you unreservedly recommend Mr. Merrill as our man?

Very cordially yours,

March 6th, 1909.

Mrs. Charles L. Bailey,

31 South Front St.,

Harrisburg, Pa.

My dear Mother:-

Your good letter regarding the Episcopal minister from Jamestown has been received.

I don't believe our people would want a man right out of the Episcopal Church, without any experience in our own, although, if he were just the right man, I don't know that any of them would be prejudiced on this account. Our Episcopal rector here, who is very well liked in the community, is the son of a Presbyterian minister, and, I think, went to Princeton Seminary. If we could get as good a man back from the Episcopal Church as he is, I think all would be satisfied.

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, "It was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in South America with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr.Speer be instructed to proceed in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, approximately, two months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and returning to theoffices in October." I am planning, accordingly, to sail on May 5th. It isn't nice to think of the longabsence, but I am comforted by what Elliott said in his prayer last evening--"God bless Father. We know it was Thy decision that he should go and visit South America." Then he prayed earnestly that I might succeed in getting safely to Yale next Sunday. I think he had a feeling that the hardship of visiting Yale

was almost as great as that of going to South America, to his view.

I hope that you can be coming over soon.

With much love from us all,

Your affectionate son,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

The Rev. James E. Clark, D.D.,

Cumberland Presbyterian Publishing House,

Nashville, Tenn.

My dear Dr. Clark:-

I appreciate very much your kindness in sending me the issue of "The Cumberland Presbyterian" for February 25th, containing the report of the Birmingham Convention. I was very glad to have the opportunity of seeing the Convention. Such a meeting must surely have a great effect on the men of the Southern Presbyterian Churches, and the unity of such a gathering must surely influence the men of both Churches.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

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[illegible] Avenue,

New York City.

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At the meeting of the Board yesterday "It was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in connection with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr. Speer be authorized in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, in his judgment, two months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and return to the offices in October."

In accordance with this action I am planning to leave New York [illegible] and shall not return until October. I shall not be able to render service to you, accordingly, in connection with the convention of the Young People's Missionary Movement at Silver Bay. I hope you may have the best conference you have held yet.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible], Pa.

[illegible] Senator:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, it was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible], Mar. [illegible]

Mr. F. B. Smith,

124 East 28th Street,

New York City.

My dear Fred:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, "It was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in South America with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr. Speer be instructed in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, approximately, two months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and return to the offices in October."

In accordance with this action, I am expecting to leave for [illegible]. If no [illegible] prevents, [illegible] I shall not be able to be of any service at the Silver Bay Conference. I hope you may have thoroughly good meetings and that they may accomplish all that you would hope.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

[illegible], 1914.

Mrs. Wallace S. Paris,

4335 Cook Avenue,

St.Louis, Mo.

My dear Mrs. Paris:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, it was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in South America with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr.Speer be [illegible] in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, approximately, two months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and return to the offices in October."

In accordance with this action, I am expecting to sail for South America, if nothing prevents, on the first week in May; so that it will not be possible for me to come out to the South West Board Meeting the last days of April. I am sorry, as I should have been glad to come if I could do so.

Very cordially yours,

March 23rd, 1903.

The Rev. Wallace L. Gelston,

[illegible] Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Gelston:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, I was instructed [illegible] this matter, and as [illegible] to call, if nothing prevents, on the 15th, I am sure that the Bishop and Council will [illegible] to do, at the General Assembly.

Very cordially yours,

Richard Mott Gwl.

March 2nd, 1916.

Miss Louise W. Brooks,

125 East 27th Street,

New York City.

My dear Miss Brooks:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, "It was voted [illegible] the Chairman in South America with reference to a Secretarial position, the power [illegible] and, if possible, the Metropolitan Museum of Art Building, [illegible] return to the offices in October."

In accordance with this action, I am [illegible] South America, if nothing prevents, on May 1st or that I cannot hope to help you in the Summer Conferences this year.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear [illegible]:-

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, [illegible] be instructed to proceed in May to visit the Missions [illegible] and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission. [illegible] return to the offices in October."

[illegible] South America, if nothing prevents, on May 5th: so that I cannot help you in the Summer Conferences this year.

Very cordially yours,

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...r good note of February 20th has been received.
... privilege to have been present at the Convention in
... if anything I said helped at all to make the
... hoped and prayed it might be and what I rejoice

... reply to your inquiry as to my traveling expenses, I would
... expense was $66.55. I do not know whether this is in
... of the other speakers from New York.
... if you would reduce it to the average amount

... address in any report, will you
... stenographer's notes to revise? I have a request
... Editor of the Union Theological Seminary
... to publish the address on "The World's
... saying they would like to have the address
... I have no report of it and must depend on

June 7th, 1909.

Mr. R. D. Dixon,

Union Theological Seminary,

Richmond, Va.

My dear Mr. Dixon:-

I very gladly give permission for the publication of [illegible] in the Union Theological Seminary Magazine.

I have no copy of the address, however, but I believe it was taken down by a stenographer, and I have written to Mr. Rowland, asking him to have two copies of it made, one of which I can send to you; or to allow me to send you the original copy when I have corrected it, with the understanding that you would send a proof copy to Mr. Rowland for use when they come to print the report of the Convention.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] of Trade,

Columbus, O.

[illegible] Dear Sir, Rolling:-

At its meeting yesterday, our Board instructed me to [illegible] in South America this summer. I am expecting to [illegible], if nothing prevents, on May 5th; so that it will not [illegible] for me to be of any service in connection with the State [illegible] Convention at Xenia.

[illegible] sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible], 1907.

[illegible] S. Parsons,

Colorado Springs,

[illegible].

Dear Professor Parsons:-

Your very kind letter of February 26th [illegible] received.

I don't expect to be at the General Assembly in Denver, in May. [illegible] has instructed me to visit our Missions in South America this [illegible], and, if nothing prevents, I am expecting to sail on May 5th, to [illegible] until the end of October.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

March 5th., 1910.

Mr. Frank W. Hamilton,

South Bethlehem, Pa.

My dear Mr. Hamilton:-

I have not forgotten all the year your very cordial invitation to come over to speak at Lehigh, and I have been hoping that it might be possible for me to come, but I have not been able to arrange it, and it is probable now that I shall have to leave in a few weeks for South America, for an extended visit to our Missions there; so that I shall have to give up the hope of coming at all this College year.

Very cordially yours,

...st and March 2nd.

[illegible] St., [illegible],

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[illegible]

At the meeting of the Board yesterday, "It was voted that in [illegible]ment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in [illegible]ections with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr.Speer be [illegible] and he proceed in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and [illegible], the [illegible] Station ofthe Colombia Mission, spending, [illegible], two months in Brazil and one month in Chilil , and return [illegible] in October."

In connection with this action, I am planning, if nothing pre-[illegible], to sail May 5th for Bahia, Brazil; and from that point I shall [illegible] for about four weeks, coming back to sail from Bahia for Rio [illegible], which would be the steamer leaving New York about June 5th. [illegible] way to come with me on May 5th, then you could take, [illegible] the June 5th steamer, and I would join you in Bahia, and [illegible] and Southern Brazil together. I have written [illegible] you will be coming with me, and I cannot tell [illegible] feel about going. Emma is delighted to [illegible]. We shall have a joyful time together.

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[illegible],

[illegible],

Pa.

At the meeting of our Board yesterday, "It was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in South America with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr.Speer be [illegible] to proceed in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, [illegible], four months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and returning to [illegible] in October."

Mrs. Speer and the children will stay here a little while after [illegible] closes, and then will go over to be with Mrs. [illegible], Mr. Speer's brothers at Bayonne, which is the family headquarters. This will mean that we will miss Camp this summer. It will [illegible] after so many happy years there.

It will be all right, will it not? for us to leave the things [illegible] in the cabin. I think they are all stowed away in the window-[illegible] down-stairs, and in the closet beside the

I am delighted to learn about the new organ and to watch all the new growth of the school, and, best of all, to see you standing for the old moral realities in the centre of it.

I am looking forward with much pleasure to my visit on April 11th. I have promised to speak at Exeter on the evening of the 10th, and shall come down from there after the meeting.

I hope that Mrs.Stearns and the children are well, and, with much love, I am

Ever your friend,

[illegible]

[illegible] Rockfield,

[illegible] Mass.

[illegible] Walker:-

[illegible] was much surprised and grieved on getting back from one trip to re- [illegible] of Dr.Moody's illness. I am glad to learn from later reports from Mrs. Walker, that he is very much better and that Mrs.Moody is much better also. I wrote to Dr.Moody on Saturday, and I trust that he may continue to improve, and shall be glad if you will let me know in case there [illegible] developments.

You will be glad to know that Dr.Buckley is gaining steadily. [illegible] Hollywood for several weeks and walks out quite a little each day.

I have been intending to send you up some book reviews for "The [illegible] but I haven't been able to do so, but I shall hope to be able to send some in the near future. If you get any of the following books and want to send them down to me for review, I shall be glad to look them over:-

[illegible]

[illegible]

March 5th, 1909.

Mrs. Stephen Baker,

8 East 75th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mamie:-

I was so glad to get your note about the Moodys, and to hear later from you through Emma that Will was so much better. I wrote last week to Professor Erdman, asking him to join his prayers with ours in behalf of Will. I hope that he and May may both continue to gain, and I know that you will let us have any word that may come to you regarding them.

With warm regards to Stephen and yourself,

Ever your friend,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

Mr. F. B. Schenck,

Englewood, N. J.

My dear Mr. Schenck:-

In addition to the letters which I gave you last evening, I have the following letter from a friend in reply to an inquiry of mine regarding Mr. Richards of Newport. My friend writes:

"With regard to your questions about Mr. Richards, I am sorry to be unsatisfactory. I do not feel, however, that I know him well enough to make it fair for me to answer them all. There is certainly no question as to his earnestness, conscientiousness, nor gentlemanliness: and he is much liked by his own people. You say you 'should be very grateful for a frank expression' of my 'judgment regarding him.' If you wish me to, I will give such an expression; but I hesitate to do so lest it might be prejudiced and not based on sufficient knowledge. The Congregationalists have never gotten over what seems to me an unreasonably sore feeling at the establishment of our Presbyterian Church in Newport about twenty years ago. Mr. Richards has taken upthe grudge, and shown an attitude the reverse of friendly to our Church,- an attitude which it is hard to understand, and quite the opposite of his attitude toward the Unitarian Church. Mr. R. May have been misrepresented, and he may be 'the man' for Englewood. I don't know."

I have a letter from another friend regarding Mr. Sawtelle. He writes:

"I know Sawtelle very well. We met frequently during my time in Syracuse. He is big in body and heart, a genial companion bubbling over with good nature. It is safe to say that he was by far the most popular man in Syracuse Presbytery all the years I served in that body. I heard him preach once; it was good, sensible preaching, with nothing unusual or exceptional about it. I never heard that he was unusually strong in the pulpit? I know nothing of his pastoral work in detail. Most excellent reports were given me by some strong people in his Fulton Church. I judge Sawtelle to be a manly, straightforward Presbyterian minister of excellent but not extraordinary ability, whose personality will enable him to have friends anywhere he is known. I should expect him to do well in such a church as you describe Englewood to be, though he might not 'take them by storm' at first. Park Church, Syracuse, heard him and it was said he wanted to go there, but they did not call him. Emmanuel Church, Milwaukee, wrote to me as you have, and on my enthusiastic endorsement came on to Fulton to hear him, intimating that

they would call him, but for some reason unknown to me the matter dropped. Dr. Mason Gallagher looked him up for some Brooklyn work and I assured him with superlatives, but it failed. These things have puzzled me and I have thought there might be something which I did not know. To you, therefore, I have written very moderately, understating rather than overstating my opinion. Personally, I believe Santelle would do fine work in Englewood Church."

I am writing to some more friends in Chicago regarding Mr. Merrill. Dr. Nelson, of Park Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, and Dr. Herridge of Ottawa, I don't know, but I am making inquiries regarding them and shall send you the results.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

The Rev. John K. Bushnell, D.D.,

Minneapolis,

Minn.

My dear Dr. Bushnell:-

The Church in Englewood, N. J., of which I am a member, is without a pastor through the resignation of Dr. Hamilton on account of ill-health. Among the names suggested to us is the name of the Rev. Dr. Nelson, of the Park Presbyterian Church of Minneapolis. The Chairman of our Committee writes me regarding him:

"He is said to have formerly lived at Hamilton, Canada, and previously to have preached in the same Church as Dr.Hamilton in Belfast. He is said to be a 'brilliant speaker' and has one of the strongest churches in the West. Do you know him?"

I don't remember to have met Dr.Nelson, and I had never heard of the Park Presbyterian Church as one of the strongest churches in the West, although it may be. Will you tell me candidly whether you think Dr.Nelson is a man whom we ought to consider a possibility for our Church? I look back often with great pleasure to my hours with you in Minneapolis last fall, and, with kindest regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

The Rev. James McLeod,

Cape May,

N. J.

My dear Dr. McLeod:-

It was a great pleasure to receive yesterday your note of February 19th, and I should be happy to hear you preaching again in our pulpit here, as I know your friend, Mr. McAllister, would.

We have our pulpit provided for, however, for some months, and are hoping soon to have our own pastor, in which case, of course, our arrangements for supplies would be in his hands. We shall be glad to keep the matter in mind, however, in case we need to go on for some time longer without a minister of our own.

With cordial regard,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

Miss Carrie Weaver Smith,

2249 Thompson St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Miss Smith:-

I have many times since receiving your note of February 21st prayed for you, that you may indeed find again the joy of Christ, which I believe is seeking you far more eagerly than you are seeking it, as I know from your letter that you are earnestly seeking it again, and am sure that you will find it.

I enclose two little booklets,- Austin Phelps' "The Still Hour" and Brother Lawrence's "The Practice of the Presence of God," which I believe will show you the way. If they do not, will you not write again, telling me just what the difficulties are , in case you think I can be of any help to you?

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

Enclosures.

March 5th, 1909.

Mr. William L. Pierce,

100 Broadway,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Pierce:-

Your note of yesterday regarding Dr.Lindsay is just received.

We have all our Sundays provided for now until the month of May. We had hoped that before that we might have a minister of our own. That seems a little unlikely, however; and if we have to arrange supplies for May and June, do you suppose Dr.Lindsay could come for some Sunday then? He is not eligible to a call, is he? Because we have been acting under instructions to have no one on a supply who might be regarded by any possibility as a candidate.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

Prof. George L. Robinson, D.D.,
1060 North Halsted St.,
Chicago, Ills.

My dear Pat:-

As you know, our church in Englewood, N.J., is now without a pastor.

Among the names that we have thought of as possibilities is that of the Rev.W.P.Merrill, of Chicago. Do you think that he would be just the right man for us? We have one of the nicest suburban churches around New York, of a membership of between five and six hundred, in a community of six or seven thousand; which has also another Presbyterian Church, reaching the people of moderate means, while our church would be regarded as the wealthy church of the community; and also Episcopal, Methodist, Roman Catholic, and Dutch Reformed Churches. There is a great deal of comfortable wealth without any splurge or foolish display. It is a community where an indolent minister would be glad to come, but it does not want an indolent minister. We want some one who can take hold of young people, who is attractive in his pastoral work, who can reach men of all classes without compromising his principles or making use of habits which are beneath the minister. And we want a man who is a good preacher, but who preaches because he is ministering to men's souls and who is not in the ministry simply to preach. We would rather have a man of about forty, if we could get him. Do you think that Mr. Merrill is the man we want?

I hope that you are quite recovered from your illness.

I did not say anything about it at the time, but your doctor was all wrong in his diagnosis. What you had was a case of Hebraic retroversion: that is, semitophelic germs in the blood. That young man who was washing you thoroughly was giving just the right treatment. You ought to have taken in addition to those external baths, a gallon of water internally every quarter of an hour.

With warm regards to Mrs. Robinson and yourself,

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 5th, 1909.

The Rev. R. P. Mackay, D.D.,
Confederation Life Building,
Toronto, Canada.

My dear Dr. Mackay:-

The Church of which I am a member, of Englewood, N. J., one of the suburbs of New Jersey, is looking for a pastor, our minister having resigned on account of ill-health.

Among the names suggested to us is the name of Dr.W.T.Herridge, of St Andrews Church, Ottawa, Canada. We are informed that he is a man who has proved attractive to Roman Catholic and Church of England men in spite of denominational lines, and a friend who has been visiting Lord Grey at the Government House, says that Lord Grey himself always hears Dr. Herridge when he can. Can you tell me anything about him and his qualifications for such a field as ours? We have a very good suburban church of a membership of between five and six hundred, in a community of six or seven thousand, which has also another Presbyterian Church, reaching the people of moderate means, while our church would be regarded as the wealthy church of the community; and also an Episcopal, Methodist, Roman Catholic and Dutch Reformed Church. I have never seen a nicer community than ours. There is a great deal of comfortable wealth without any splurge or foolish display. It is a community where an indolent minister would doubtless be glad to come, but it does not want an indolent minister. We want some one who can take hold of young people, who is attractive in his pastoral work, who can reach men of all classes without compromising his principles or making use of habits which are beneath

the minister. And we want a man who is a good preacher, but who preaches because he is ministering to men's souls and who is not in the ministry simply to preach. We would rather have a man of about forty, if we could get him. Do you think Mr. Berridge is the kind of man we want?

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 6th, 1909.

Mr. W. Holmes Forsythe,

85 Ohio St.,

Chicago, Ills.

My dear Holmes:-

As you know, our church in Englewood, N. J., is now without a pastor.

Among the names that we have thought of as possibilities is that of the Rev. W.P. Merrill, of Chicago. Do you think that he would be just the right man for us? We have one of the nicest suburban churches around New York, of a membership of between five and six hundred, in a community of six or seven thousand, which has also another Presbyterian Church, reaching the people of moderate means, while our church would be regarded as the wealthy church of the community; and also Episcopal, Methodist, Roman Catholic, and Dutch Reformed Churches. I have never seen a nicer community than ours. There is a great deal of comfortable wealth without any splurge or foolish display. It is a community where an indolent minister would doubtless be glad to come, but it does not want an indolent minister. We want some one who can take hold of young people, that is attractive in his pastoral work, and who can reach men of all classes without compromising his principles or making use of habits which are beneath the minister. We want a man who is a good preacher, but who preaches because he is a minister of men's souls, and who is not in the ministry simply to preach. We would rather have a man of about forty, if we could get him. Could you unreservedly recommend Mr. Merrill as our man?

Very cordially yours,

New York, March 6th, 1909.

Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr.,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Kind letter received. Shall come in time for dinner if possible.

Robert E. Speer.

March 6th, 1902.

Mr. C.C.Trumbull,

1031 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Mr. Trumbull:

I enclose, herewith, several more of the articles in the series on St. Paul, and the rest of the Young People's Series until July 1st, with the exception of one, which I shall send shortly. I shall hope to send you soon, also, the rest of the Paul articles, all of which I have written.

I have gone over the draft of the call to the Convention which you sent, and have made a few minor suggestions on it and have sent it up to Mr. Shelton.

Very affectionately yours,

Enclosures.

Dictated March 4.

March [illegible], 1907.

The Rev. A.V.V.Raymond, D.D.,

First Presbyterian Church,

Buffalo, New York.

My dear Dr. Raymond:

As you probably know, our Church in Englewood is without a pastor now, because of Mr. Hamilton's resignation on account of health. He has never recovered fully from the effects of his long siege of typhoid fever, contracted on his vacation the year before last on one of the boats on the Grenfell-ns. Among the men whom we have considered in connection with the pastorate is the Rev. Clayton Potter of Simsbury, Conn., who, I understand, was graduated from Union College during your presidency there. Would you be willing to tell me your judgment as to Mr. Potter's adaptation for such a Church as ours? Could you unreservedly recommend him to us?

With kind regards, I am

[illegible]

The Rev. James T. Harlan, D.D.

74 Beacon Street,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Dr. Harlan:

The Church [illegible]

at present, without a pastor. We have a splendid church with more than five hundred members, in the richest suburb of New York. It is made up of as delightful people as I have met anywhere, and the whole community is unique in its good spirit and high-mindedness and general degree of comfort and prosperity. Among the men whose names have been suggested to us in connection with the pastorate, is the Rev. C.I.Stocking of West Newton, Mass., a graduate of Amherst in the Class of '93, and I believe of Yale Divinity School. From what I have said of our Church, could you unreservedly recommend Mr. Stocking to us ? We do not want any latitudinarian in theology, at the same time that we do want a man of open mind and forward vision, but he must be evangelical and constructive and truthful. What we want, of course, is just a Christian and a scholar and a gentleman. As a member of our Church Committee, I should be very much obliged if you would let me know your frankest judgment regarding Mr. Stocking as a man and as a pastor and as a preacher.

Very cordially yours,

March 6th, 1909.

The Rev. George B. Crawford,

2488 Stone St.,

Port Huron, Mich.

My dear Mr. Crawford:-

I am very grateful for your note of February 20th, with its sympathy and comfort. I think one of the blessed things about these experiences is, that the significance of them does not disappear with time. I hear people often say that the passage of years will assuage the sorrow, but I don't believe it will, if the sorrow is a divine one. The passage of years brings home to us only the more deeply the loss that we have sustained, and God means it to be so, I believe, in order that we may be drawn on the more yearningly toward the land where he is and where he has summoned in advance those we love.

It was a great pleasure to get your letter and to know of your relationship to Mrs. Jordan, who is doing splendid work in Teheran.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 5th, 1903.

Mr. Henry E. Rosevear,

326 Wabash Ave.,

Chicago, Ills.

My dear Mr. Rosevear:-

I don't know whether you are planning to issue any report of the Pittsburg Convention; but if you are and intend to make any use of my address, I should be very much obliged if you would let me have the opportunity of revising the stenographer's notes before they are sent to the printer.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 8th, 1909.

Miss Marion M. Jennings,

215 West 57th Street,

New York City.

My dear Miss Jennings:-

I was delighted to get your note, telling of your meeting with Miss Bradford, and have heard also from Miss Bradford of her pleasure in knowing you.

I am so glad that you have her friendship and that she has yours, and I am sure that you will both learn more from it of the great love of God. You will come in, will you not? to see me when you can. It will be a great pleasure to see you at any time and to be of any service to you that I may.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 8th, 1909.

Mr. C. C. Trumbull,

1051 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie.-

I have written to Mr.Williams, quoting your kind letter of January 27th regarding his use in our Spanish religious paper in Mexico of the Young People's Lesson articles from "The Sunday School Times," and am sending him carbons of the lessons which I am sending you. Could you not send him,however,galley proofs of the April topics if it is not too late? His address is, The Rev. C. Scott Williams, Apartado 104, San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

I have told him that I have raised the question with you as to whether you wished the topics continued after the end of June, and that, if you did, I would be glad to send him carbon copies for the rest of the year, in case I could get them prepared, but that if not, he would have to prepare his material otherwise.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

Thank you very much for [illegible]

March 6th, 1909.

The Rev. C. Scott Williams,

Apartado 104,

San Luis Potosi,

Mexico.

My dear Scottie:-

I have delayed answering your note of January 9th in regard to the Christian Endeavor column in "El Faro" until I could communicate with "The Sunday School Times", and also see what I could do myself. Mr.Trumbull writes, in reply to my letter, as follows:

"I thank you for your good letter of January 21. We are, of course, glad to give our very cordial permission to your correspondent, the Rev.C.Scott Williams, to translate and publish in the Spanish religious paper your Young People's lesson articles from The Sunday School Times. It seems to me that the safest way to get them to him early would be for your stenographer to do as you suggest, and make a carbon copy, mailing those copies direct from your office to Mr.Williams.

If there is any objection to doing this, or any special difficulty in thw way, we shall gladly send proofs of the articles to him when they are in type. But this might sometimes delay the matter a little.

Will you just ask him to be so kind as to see that the following form of credit is used with every appearance of an article:

'Copyright,1909, by The Sunday School Times Company, and reprinted and translated by permission.'

This will perhaps keep some unscrupulous American publishers from translating back again into American, and getting the benefit of your articles in an unauthorized way."

In accordance with this suggestion, I am sending you herewith carbon copies of the material for May meetings, and shall send you henceforth other material as it is prepared. I am asking Mr.Trumbull whether he cannot send you the galley proofs for April. It is too late to do anything with the March meetings.

At the meeting of our Board on Monday, "It was voted that in fulfil

ment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in South America with reference to a Secretarial visitation, Mr.Speer be instructed to proceed in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, approximately, two months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and returning to the offices in October." In accordance with this action, I am expecting to sail for Brazil, if nothing prevents, on May 5th.

I have written to Mr.Trumbull as to whether he wishes me to furnish the topics beyond the end of June, as our arrangements have hitherto been on the six months basis and the present six months expires at that time. If he says "yes," I shall then have to write up the topics for all the rest of the year in the next month or so, and in that case can easily furnish you with the material until the end of December. If he says "no," then I shall of course discontinue, so that my material would not be available for "El Faro."

With warm regards to Sister Madera and yourself,

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

Enclosures.

March 8th, 1909.

Mr. Delevan L. Pierson,

1515 Pacific Street,

Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Del:-

Your good note of February 10th was duly received. It was a pleasure to have any part in the calendar, and I appreciate very much your writing regarding my page.

I have been very sorry to hear of your father's serious illness. Tom Evans told me about it in Philadelphia Sunday a week ago, when I was staying with him. I hope that he is better. Will you give him my very affectionate greetings?

At the meeting of the Board on Monday, "It was voted that in fulfillment of the assurances given by the Board to the Missions in South America, Mr. Speer be instructed to proceed in May to visit the Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if possible, the Barranquilla Station of the Colombia Mission, spending, approximately, two months in Brazil and one month in Chili, and returning to the offices in October." In accordance with this action, I am expecting to leave for Brazil on May 5th, if nothing prevents, to be gone until the end of October. Do you want me, in case I find time for anything of the sort, to send you any letters or articles for "The Review?" I don't know that I can do so, as I fear I shall have to spend what time I can on this trip in writing up the Duff Lectures for Scotland next winter, which I have promised and on which I have not written as yet one word, except in the way of some preliminary outlines; but your SouthAmerica [illegible]

Mr·Pierson--2.

do anything in behalf of the workers down there, I want to do it.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 6th, 1909.

The Rev. John Harvey Lee,

Germantown,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Lee:-

I have delayed answering your last kind note of February 18th until after the Board Meeting on Monday, as the question was then to be decided of my going to South America this year. At that meeting, I was instructed to leave as early as possible in May, to visit our Missions in Brazil and Chili, and, if practicable, in Colombia, and I am planning, accordingly, to leave the first week in May.

This, I fear, will make it impossible for me to take on any additional engagements and to get the evenings which I had hoped to have for the lectures in Germantown, which it would have been a real pleasure to deliver. I shall need all the time for the things that must be done before I can get away, so that I must give up for this spring the pleasure which it would have been to come over for this course.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 5th, 1900.

Mr. S. Edgar Briggs,

150 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Briggs:-

I left in your office the other day the manuscript of "The Deity of Christ," which I have revised and to which I have added [illegible] explanatory notes.

As I believe I told you, Mr. Sweet wants to publish this in London, and having suggested it to him, and he made a long time ago regarding it, I have no other copy of the corrected manuscript and notes, but if you will give me a duplicate of the galley proof, I can send that to him. Would you rather not have it issued by Mr. Sweet in London?

Our Board has instructed me to visit the South American Missions this year, and I am leaving the first week in May; so that I shall have to clear up everything of this sort before going.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 8th, 1909.

Mr. James McConaughy.

Mt Hermon,

Mass.

My dear James:-

I was delighted to get your note several days ago, and to see the boys on Sunday evening. They came up to speak to me, after the meeting, and I was delighted to get them by the hand, both for their own sake and for yours. They are fine boys, and may God bless them and you.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 6th, 1909.

Mr. Charles D. Hilles,

Dobbs Ferry,

N. Y.

My dear Mr. Hilles:-

After some days absence from the city, I got your good note of February 22nd, and am resting on the faint hope that it may not be possible for you, to use your own expression, "to burn the bridges behind" you, and that you still stay with the bridges in front. It is possible that some final communication was presented to the Board to-day, at its meeting to-day, which I have not been able to attend.

I pray that God's blessing may go with you if you decide to go to Washington, but I should rejoice if he shows it to you to be His will that you should stay with the children.

With warm regard,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated March 2nd.

March 10th, 1909.

C. A. Kennedy.

2 College Street, Toronto, Canada.

Very sorry cannot come. Have already written.

Robert E.Speer.

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March 9th, 1909.

Mrs. J. Ernest Golden,

Woodridge Place,

Leonia, N. J.

My dear Mrs. Golden:-

Your very kind note of March 1st has been received. I should be happy to come to speak some time for your Society, but all my Sundays are engaged for the next two months, and my Sunday evenings also, and then I shall have to be away for some five or six months. If you could get Dr.T.H.P.Sailer, the Educational Secretary of our Board, who lives in Englewood, I think you could not do better. We have had a number of Korea missionaries here recently, but I don't know whether any one of them would be available for the evening of March 17th. The Rev.J.L.Potter,D.D., of Persia, I think would be. He is now at Scouton, N. J.; and I think the Rev. William Jessup, of Syria, would also be available. His address is, c/o Mrs.O.H.Jadwin, 126 Gates Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Please let me know if I can be of further service at any time.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 9th, 1909.

Miss Laura A. Knott,

Bradford Academy,

Bradford, Mass.

My dear Miss Knott:-

I have not overlooked your kind note of last fall with reference to the possibility of my visiting Bradford Academy some time this year, but have delayed answering in the hope that the year might bring the opportunity of a visit. It has not done so, however, and the necessity of leaving the country, in May, to be gone for some time, will prevent my coming to Bradford at all this year. Perhaps some other year it may be possible to come.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

March 9th, 1907.

The Rev. John F. Hill, D.D.,
78 Canestoga Building,
Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Dr.Hill:-

Your letter of February 13th came while I was away attending a missionary convention in the South, and immediately on returning I had to leave my office again for a few days, so that I have not been able to reply to your request. I add herewith a brief post script, which I fear, however, is too late for your use.

Yours very truly,

P.S. The liquor traffic is a hindrance to Missions,-first, because it gives the people of the non-Christian lands a suspicion and distrust Christianity--Christianity and liquor coming from the same countries; second, it misrepresents Christian civilization; third, it demoralizes the weaker peoples living often in trying climatic conditions, which make them less able to endure the ravages of drink; fourth, it debauches mind, body and soul, so that the material offered to the Gospel has become almost unredeemable; and lastly, often where its effects are not so extreme, it operates to lower morals and to excite appetite.

March 9th, 1909.

Lieutenant Oscar Westover,

United States Army,

Manila, P.I.

My dear Lieut. Westover:-

I was very glad indeed to get the little memento which you sent at Christmastime, and my small boy was happy to recall the pictures you had sent him from West Point some years ago.

I hope that you are well, and that you are finding opportunities to do something in Christ's name wherever you are. I am going to send herewith a little booklet, which I think is one of the most wonderful books we haveand which I know you will be glad to have if you have not already read it.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

Enclosure.

March 9th, 1933.

The Rev. George H. Smyth, Jr.,
54 West 87th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Smyth:-

I still do not have the Deacon's street number for you, but, of course, we can get it at any time from the Deacon at Alexander's. I have not seen him since Washington's Birthday.

If you want another pastoral case of a very different sort, I would suggest Mr. W. H. Kelly, 256 East 68th Street. Some time ago, I spoke in Dr. Stevenson's church on "Compromise" and later got a letter from Mr. Kelly commenting on some things I had said, in good spirit, but showing a strong disapproval of our present organization of society. I replied and have now a later letter. He seems to be a restrained Socialist, believing in Christ but not in modern Christianity. I should be glad to get hold of the man some time if there were any possibility of being of any use to him, and I am sure that you will be glad to know of him. In case you ever go to see him, I shall be glad to know the result. I should try to get up to see him myself now, but I simply cannot with the things that have to be done before I get off to South America in about eight weeks, to be gone six months.

With kind regard,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 3rd.

[illegible] 1911.

[illegible] H. Wildroth,

[illegible] Park Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Wildroth:

The story you heard at Amherst is quite a compilation. I have no doubt that a great many of the biographical tales that have been handed down to us are just as unreliable. When I was in Princeton there was no Phi Delta Theta there. It was introduced subsequently. I was not on the baseball team. The only thing I did in field sports was to put the shot poorly and pull in the tug-of-war. I am sure I did not average two hours a day in Bible study all through the College course, though there were many Sundays when I spent more time than that. I think I have said, since leaving the College, that I did not regret the time spent on athletics or on my College work, - which I tried to do faithfully - but that if I had to do it over again, and had to cut down anywhere, it would be on these things and not on Bible Study. I hope, however, that you won't use me as an illustration or an example. I do not desire to serve in that capacity.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear [illegible]:

[illegible] it will not be possible for me to [illegible] a brief address for Sunday, April 11th. I have already [illegible] for a number of years. Hence, I would suggest the possibility of [illegible] the Rev. [illegible] Alexander, D.D., who can be reached in care of [illegible] Temple Emanu-El, 5th Avenue, New York. Dr. Alexander is an orator in [illegible] just returned from abroad, where he has been visiting for some time.

[illegible] 10th, 1920.

Professor James L. Frame,

[illegible]

700 Park Avenue, New York.

My dear Professor Frame:

It seems very possible now that we shall have to arrange for our pulpit [illegible], as early [illegible] this Spring - which I hope we may - he will probably feel unable to [illegible] until Fall. [illegible] all the Sundays, either of June or of July, or if not, are there any Sundays in May, June, or July which you could give us ?

With kind regards to Mrs. Frame and yourself, I am

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1903.

Professor Hugh Black, D.D.,

760 Park Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Black:

I felt sure the May Sundays would be gone, but I am glad there is a free Sunday in June and I write at once as possible to ask you to [illegible] June 14th, for it is in England. We will, of course, communicate with [illegible] regarding trains and the home where you will be a guest while with us.

With sincere regard, I am

Very faithfully yours,

March 10th, 1908.

Professor Charles D. Erdman,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Charlie:

Can you give us any Sunday for our Memorial Church in May, June, or July ?

Very affectionately yours,

March 30th, 1909

The Rev. J. Douglas Adam, D.D.,

East Orange, N.J.

My dear Adam:

Can you give us another Sunday in Englewood some time this Spring? If you have the third Sunday off, could you not come to us for the third Sunday of May? We should be delighted if you could come for that day!

Mrs. Alexander, who provides for the Seabright Chapel during the Summer, is very anxious that you should come down there for Sunday, July 18th. I told her that I felt sure you would be away on your vacation then, but she wanted me to write in the most inducing way to try to persuade you to come for that day. You will very much enjoy it. I have been accustomed for some years to go down for one Sunday, and the time with Mrs. Alexander alone, - who is a very rare character - is sufficient reward.

I rejoice to continue to hear many echoes of your work at the Pittsburgh Convention.

With warm regard to Mrs. Adam and Margaret, I am

Ever faithfully yours,

March 10th, 1909.

The Rev. John McDowell, D.D.,
Park Presbyterian Church,
Newark, N.J.

My dear McDowell:

As you know, our Church in Englewood is without a pastor and we are having to supply the pulpit, and by the rules of the Session are limited to men who already have work of their own, so that we shan't stir up trouble in the Church through bringing in candidates. I have wondered whether you couldn't give us a Sunday in May, June, July or August. The honorarium is only $40., but I hope that the pleasure you will give us will make up.

Very cordially yours,

New York City

My dear Dr. Fosdick:

We are still without a word in England and are [illegible]
[illegible] time providing the world with supplies. [illegible]
[illegible], before you leave for the West, you will [illegible]
[illegible] we would be [illegible] to see you. The only
[illegible] we have still tentatively arranged for, after the first of May,
is June 20th. It would be a great pleasure to us if you could come.

March 13th, 1900.

Mrs. Alexander,

16 West 54th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mrs. Alexander:

I have written to Dr. Adam asking him whether he could come down for July 10th, and telling him he will miss it if he doesn't. I shall be glad to let you know as soon as I hear from him.

Mrs. Speer had a very nice note from Susan yesterday, and we rejoice with her and Mr. Jay, while sympathizing with you who have to give up another to go so far away.

Very affectionately yours,

March 10th, 1909.

The Rev. J.R.Miller, D.D.,

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, P

My dear Dr. Miller:

I enclose, herewith, two more articles in the series on a Christian's Habits. Perhaps this will be as many as you will want, though I might be able to send a few more before leaving for South America the first week in May, to be off, under instructions from [illegible]ward, for six months, visiting the Missions in Brazil and Chili. Perhaps I can see some things there which might be worth while writing up for FORWARD.

Very affectionately yours,

Enclosure.

March 16th, 1901.

The Rev. C.A.Kennedy,

2 College Street,

Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Your kind note of March 2nd is received. I appreciate very much your cordial invitation. I am sorry, however, that it will not be possible for me to accept it, as I cannot leave New York until Tuesday evening.

Trusting you may have a good meeting, I am

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1909.

The Rev. William L. Mudge,

Lewistown, PA.

My dear Will:

Your good note of March 4th is received. I am sorry to have to say that I shall have to miss the Old Home Week in Huntingdon, and also the Birmingham Conference, as I have been invited by the Board to visit the Mission Fields, in our Missions in South America the first week in May, not returning until the end of October.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1909.

The Rev. Herman C. Fox,

Greenport, New York.

My dear Mr. Fox:

I appreciate your kind invitation to speak at the meeting of the Presbytery of Long Island in your Church on April 7th. I should be glad if I could do so, but I have already another engagement for that evening. I wish you could get my associate, Dr. Nelsey, or if you want some missionary from the field, I think you would not do better than get the Rev. V.V.Bible of China, who has been working this year in the Churches of the New York Synod under the Synodical Committee on Foreign Missions, and whose address is Clifton Springs. Mr. Bible is one of the most effective missionary speakers we have now at home.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible], Floyd:

[illegible] interesting letter of March 4th, but its [illegible] been received. I think the invitation [illegible] are within the bounds of possibility [illegible] I expect to be in Cedar Grove in September, [illegible] October.

[illegible] Movement is planning a national [illegible] which will cover the entire country, and I should think it might be well if you would communicate with the General Secretary of the Movement, Mr. J. Campbell White, with a view to coordinating the [illegible] with the general [illegible]. You might like also, in this way to get a counter [illegible] of a [illegible] Mr. White's address is [illegible] Madison Avenue, New York City.

Very sincerely yours

May 10th, 1909.

Mr. Fred W. Kolb,

5 South Reunion,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Kolb:

I shall be very glad indeed to see you and to talk with you about the questions which are before your mind. I expect to be in my office Thursday and Friday afternoons of this week, and Tuesday, March 16th, and Saturday, March 20th. I shall undoubtedly be in other days, but I am mentioning times when I am sure to be in, and so far as I can see now, have no other appointments.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th., 1900.

Mr. Lucius Hopkins Miller,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Luke:

I am afraid I shall not be able to get to the meeting on Saturday at all, but shall be happy to come if I find that it is possible to do so.

Very cordially yours,

March 10th, 1909.

Mrs. C.S.Beebe,

425 West 117th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mrs. Beebe:

Your very kind note of March 7th has been received. As far as I am able to see, I shall be very glad to speak at the Ministers' Supper at the Young Women's Christian Association on Thursday, April 8th, at half past twelve.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Mary T. Foster,

Clifton Springs, New York.

My dear Mrs. Foster:

I write to you as Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Sanitarium, to express my regret that it will not be possible for me to attend the annual meeting of the Board this Summer. Our Board has instructed me to leave early in May on a six months' visit to our missions in South America, so that I shall be in Brazil at the time of the Annual Meeting of the Board. Will you kindly express to me excuse for absence at that time ? This will be the first meeting that I have missed since I became a member of the Board. I have the deepest interest in the Sanitarium, and regret very much that I shall not be able to be with you this year.

With warm regard, I am

March 10th, 1900.

Mr. J.L.Slater,

3530 Columbo Street,

Pittsburgh, PA.

My dear Mr. Slater:

Your letter of March 6th, with reference to the distressing experience of your son's expulsion from the Mount Hermon School, has been received. I am very sorry that Mr. Moody, as you have heard, is ill, and is unable to take the matter up with Mr. Cutler, who, of course, must have acted in the matter in careful accord with his convictions as to his duty, to the boys and to the school.

I presume that in the illness of Mr. Moody, the proper person to take up any complaint would be Mr. Proctor, the President of our Board, but as he is in Boston I am taking the liberty of writing myself to Mr. Cutler to make enquiries.

With sincere sympathy, and trusting that if any mistakes have been made they may be rectified, I am

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1900.

Mrs. Midder,

E.M.Bulkley,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Midder:

I venture to enclose some letters from Mr. Sidebotham and his daughter-in-law, which I think you will be interested in reading; they are so full of simple, earnest gratitude. Please do not trouble to return them.

Ever faithfully yours,

Enclosures,

Returned March 9th.

March 10th, 1900.

Mr. H.P.Butler,

St. Mermon, Mass.

My dear Mr. Butler:

When I accepted the vice-presidency of the Board of Trustees, I had no notion of what I was coming in for, or I think I should have wanted to have some understanding with you and Mr. Moody with reference to the matter. Perhaps I have just fallen upon a time of peculiar difficulty.

I enclose a letter from Mr. J.L.Slater of Pittsburgh which will be self-explanatory. I have acknowledged its receipt and told Mr. Slater that I would forward it to you. What shall I say in reply? Were these the only charges against the boy, and were there other boys who committed graver offences who received lighter punishment?

When boys are expelled is there any faculty action or any action by a Committee of the faculty having the discipline of the School in charge, or does the full responsibility of it fall upon you, so that complaints like this and Mrs. Archard's are complaints against you rather than against the faculty or any responsible Committee?

I am sorry to be troubling you about these matters, and am sorry that I am troubled about them myself, but I am sorriest of all that such difficulties arise, and that there are so many cases where, though there cannot be ground for criticism as to the justice of the action, boys have to be sent away, to the distress of parents and to their own disgrace.

Mr. Weber - 2.

Will you kindly return Mr. Slater's letter to me ?

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

March 10th, 1909.

Mr. James G. Bailey,

706 Park Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Bailey:

Your kind note of March 6th has been received. I shall be glad to speak at the Association Meeting at the Seminary on the evening of Monday, April 5th, if that will be satisfactory. I am sorry I cannot suggest a larger number of days, but I expect to leave for South America early in May, and my time is more that crowded for the next two months.

Very sincerely yours,

March 10th, 1909.

Mr. James F. Penfield,

Delhi, New York.

My dear Mr. Penfield:

Your note of March 4th is received.

Since writing to you I have made some enquiries regarding the Stony Brook Association, and on the basis of what I have learned I would advise you, if you contemplate making any investment in the Association, to make, first, a thorough personal investigation. From what I have seen of the publications of the Sterling Debenture Corporation in connection with other enterprises, I should be wary as to making any investment through it. The men who seem to be interested in the Long Island Association are good men, but as to the business affairs of the Stony Brook Association, I think you will do well to make a careful investigation prior to your investment.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 8th.

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[illegible]

My dear William:

Your note of March 5th regarding Mr. Willis's decision to accept the appointment offered by Mr. Taft, and asking for a picture of the members of the Board and requesting a farewell dinner is received. I should think it would be very pleasant to have some little occasion of this sort, and if the other members of the Board think it would be desirable to present any farewell token to Mr. Willis, I should be glad to join. I should hope that nothing extravagant would be expended - I am sure it would not be, - and that the dinner itself would not be made too elaborate.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], 1909.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone,

[illegible] Methodist Episcopal,

Baltimore, Md.

My dear John:

Mrs. Speer took the children the other day to the Sportsmen's Show, and they brought home a great lot of pamphlets about Northern [illegible], among them a map of Northwestern Maine which shows the location of the Dead River Ponds, mentioned so often on the sign boards to the Parmachenee country. I enclose it, herewith. They brought, also, a circular from one of the railroads showing the number of deer shipped at the various stations in Maine and Northern New Hampshire, and Dolebrook came second on the entire list. There was only one point in Maine from which more deer were sent out.

Isn't it interesting to see how almost every considerable lake on this map there is a set of camps? I wish we could buy one of those lakes up in Maine, where there is neither a camp nor a trail, and just hold it. I am selfish enough to want to have a section of this kind for those days when it is going to be difficult to move around in the woods without running into someone. Pierce Pond on the sportsmen's map rather takes my fancy. There seem to be many bodies of water there with no camps, and only that one little trail up in the Northwest corner. While I am away in Brazil, couldn't you take the matter in hand and secure title to that township and put up notices that all trespassing is absolutely prohibited? It seems to me that if you aren't coming along to South America that it is your duty to do this.

Mr. Stone - 2.

With much love to your mother and Mrs. Stone and the children, and trusting that you are all well, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

Enclosure.

Dictated March 9th.

New York, March 13th, 1909.

Mr. F. B. Schenck,
c/o James T. Brett,
Matteawan, N. Y.

Potter preaches Simsbury tomorrow.

Robert E. Speer.

New York, March 13th, 1909.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Pa.

Shall not bring Elliott today.

Robert E. Speer.

March 12th., 1909.

Rev. John Calvin Goddard,

Salisbury, Conn.

Will Potter preach Simsbury this coming Sunday. Please wire collect.

Robert E.Speer.

[illegible] herewith some of the little articles in [illegible] missionaries, which I promised to write.

[illegible] know whether these are just what you had in mind, or [illegible] will want any more of them, or will find these [illegible] they are too long, do not hesitate to cut them [illegible]

March 15th, 1909.

M. L.B.Hicks,

Danville, Va.

My dear Mrs. Hicks:

I have not forgotten our conversation at the Southern Conference at Biltmore, and have often had it in mind since to write to you expressing the hope that some of the clouds which were in the sky then might have vanished. If they have not, I think if you will read the enclosed little leaflet by Brother Lawrence, it will help you to find the secret of peace under any skies, howsoever dark.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure.

Dictated March 8th.

March 18th, 1909.

Mr. C. G. Trumbull,

No 1 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie:-

I received your letter of March 12th on Saturday and took it away with me over Sunday.

If the young minister to whom you refer has been actually preaching [illegible] way that involves falsehood and deceit, then he ought certainly to confess to his people, set himself right with them, as well as with God, and go forward in the new life, which, as you say, will certainly follow.

But, as you see, he asks the question about confessing the old wrong doing to the Missionary Committee. You don't answer that question at all, and that seems to me harder than the other one, but there, too, I should be disposed to think that he ought.

The point of chief difficulty in your letter with me, however, is as to your definition of plagiarism. You say, for example, if I see or hear a thought that is new to me and I pass that thought as my own, I am stealing. Do you mean that every thought that is not original with you ought never to be communicated by you without a statement as to where you got that thought? It seems to me that the matter is not nearly as capable of clear-cut definition as you have assumed. I think it is one of those matters where there is a border land, where it would be hard to say whether it is plagiarism or not, and that one ought to steer clear

Mr. Trumbull.

of the Lord Lord, but I don't believe that the whole thing could be put in the short way in which you have put it in the sentence I have quoted. I hold some great principles, I consider, which I learned from your father, and I am constantly preaching those principles and again and again I have them to your father and to Horace Bushnell, and I have never felt ashamed every time I alluded to any of those principles, or set forth any aspect of those thoughts, to say emphatically, again and again, that this I got from Dr. Trumbull and this I got from Horace Bushnell. What I get from them is a part of me now. I endeavor to own my debt to them again and again, but then I would not think that I was plagiarising if I set forth principles which your father held and which I learned from him without in every specific case attributing the principle to him and acknowledging my obligation to him. I should fear that your putting of the matter might trouble some sensitive conscience. Then you and I would both agree to plagiarising I agree with you in abhorring; it is theft. But it seems to me something different from the absorption of truth by a man, its transmutation within his own personality, and then its passing forward to others as his truth, which not he did not invent but learned from many teachers or perhaps from few. But can't you come over some time and let us talk it all over together.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated but not read.

March [illegible].

Mr. H. K. Caskey,

429 Confederation Life Building,

Toronto, Canada.

My dear Mr. Caskey:-

Your note of March 12th is just received.

I cannot send you copies of the addresses which I am to make in Toronto, as I [illegible] addresses [illegible]. One of them, however, "The World's Debt to the Bible," is an address that I was asked to make both at Toronto and at Birmingham, and I will ask Mr. Rowland if he will send you a copy of the galley proofs of the Birmingham addresses.

The address on "The Great Commission" is a compilation [illegible] I wrote for "The Churchman" several years ago, and you could get a copy of that by writing to "The Churchman" [illegible]. I think the title of it was "The Missionary Significance of the Great Commission," and it appeared, I think, two or three years ago.

Can you tell me what hotel I am to go to? as I shall have to go straight from the station to the Presbyterian Brotherhood meeting at Cook's Church, [illegible] at twelve o'clock, and should be glad to go straight from there to the hotel, if you can tell me where I am to be.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 18th, 1909.

Mr. W. J. Dale,

Williamsport, Pa.

Dear Mr. Dale:-

Your kind note of March 15th is just received.

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to accept your good invitation, but I have all my Sundays engaged for this month and next, and must leave the first week in May to visit the Missions in South America, to be gone until the end of October. Shortly after getting back from that trip, I have to go to Scotland; so that there will be no possibility of my coming up to Newberry this year. You cannot do better than get my associate, the Rev.A.W.Halsey,D.D., if by any possibility he could come; but, in the event of his not being able to come, I would sugrest the Rev. George A. Trull, who has charge of our work among the Sunday Schools, and who knows more about missions in the Sunday School than any one I know.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 17th, 1909.

The Rev. Henry E. Cobb, D.D.,

West End Avenue & 77th Street,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Cobb:-

Your kind note of March 9th regarding Mr. [illegible] has been received. We are just considering now the question of our supplies for the summer, and I should be very glad to take up with our Committee your suggestion of Mr. Douglas's name.

We are looking forward with very much pleasure to your being with us for our Communion Sunday on April 4th.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 15th, 1909.

Professor John H. Stroyer,
287 Westminster Road,
Rochester, N. Y.

My dear John:-

It was a great pleasure to receive your note of March 6th, although the question which you ask is not an easy one.

I hardly know what I would do with Elliott if he were ready to go now. The three schools which you mention are the schools from which I would make a choice. I suspect the age question would settle it in the case of your nephew. They would not take a thirteen or fourteen year old boy at either Rothchiss or [illegible]. Since the average boy goes a four-year course, at the Hill, they have only [illegible] and they do not admit boys in the lower forms. If he is to go next year, accordingly, I suspect the question will answer itself.

For an older boy, I think a great deal depends on just what is wanted for him and on what kind of a boy he is. If he is the kind that can be trusted anywhere and whom freedom cannot harm, I think I would send him to Andover. The Hill is in many ways the best equipped of the three and is run on the most liberal financial plan. It is, moreover, all the children say, the best place of educational machinery in the country, and a boy is thoroughly taught there. The principle, however, is not the Andover principle. The boy is, without knowing it, held up and in by a mesh many more restrictions. He likes the school immensely, the restrictions are so delightfully provided that they do not

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gull, but they are there, and the great majority of boys who go to the Hill, I suspect, are better off for them. [illegible] between the almost [illegible] of the Hill and the freedom of Andover. I think probably any one of the three would be entirely satisfactory, although Andover is ruled out by its excess of liberty.

I hope that Mrs. Strong and the children are all well.

I wish we were going to see you some again. Alas! there will be no visits for us this summer, nor any sleeping under the balsams.

The Board has instructed me to visit our Missions in South America this year, and I am leaving the first week in May for Brazil and Chili, and shall not be back until October.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 14th, 1909.

Professor George E. Vincent,

[illegible] Park,

Chicago.

My dear Prof. Vincent:-

Your kind note of March 11th is received.

I wish I could accept your invitation to come to Chatauqua this summer. I [illegible] cordial invitations of previous years, but I have been instructed by our Board to visit our Missions in South America this year, and am leaving the first week in May to be gone until the end of October. I should have been glad to [illegible] other summers, but all the time that I have had each summer from [illegible] has been absorbed in the summer student conferences, which I have felt for years had first claim upon my time.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 13th, 1902.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone,

1516 Park Avenue,

Baltimore, Md.

My dear John:-

Your good letter of March 12th came on Saturday.

I had just had a good talk with Deacon the day before. He has not been feeling right and he is not happy, but he had been all straight for a few days and we had a good long talk, and I hope that things are getting better. A man said who he had been living at McWilliams' was not doing him any good. Mr. Rutland has now thrown him out after giving him every opportunity.

Thank you very much for the word you report regarding Vanderbilt. I know Vanderbilt thoroughly, have been in his home and talked with him for hours. He is a most faithful man, one of the kind who loves to plod and to do all kinds of plodding work. He has a good lot to do, but no more than any man ought to be doing; and if he works into the night, I imagine that is what you and a good many of the rest of us do too. Just at present he is off on a long tour through the country on horse-back down in Tennessee and will be living there riding around in the open air and holding meetings. That is hard work, but it is also new life to a man.

Jim Ed, one of those who believes that a man can kill himself with work. He will have it the other way. Others to kill himself. If he will sleep enough and eat properly, he can work as long as he likes to do.

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Vanderbilt is a good faithful fellow, and I think that probably he does need at times a little exhortation to take some play, and I shall give your note to Dr.Halsey, who is the correspondent with Mexico, and ask him to give some fatherly counsel to Vanderbilt.

Please don't fail to come in the next time you are in New York, and if you have a night, be sure to keep it for Englewood.

Ever lovingly yours,

Dictated March 16th.

March 13th, 1907.

The Rev. T. Wardell Morrison,

[illegible],

N. Y.

Dear Mr. Morrison-

Your kind note of March 11th is received.

I am sorry it will not be possible for us to accept your good [illegible], but I expect to be in Ohio in August, as our Board has instructed me to visit the churches in that section this summer.

I hope you may have a good celebration and that the next century of the church's life may be richer even than the last.

Very cordially yours,

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[illegible]

[illegible] Dawson, Dodge & Perkins, Esqs.,

[illegible] Financial Digest.

New York City.

Dear Mr. Dawson:

Mr. Hillen, of the Baltimore Office of the [illegible] Agency, [illegible] of his [illegible] you the week of the 9th in New York. I am afraid that it will be impossible for me [illegible] you will want to be in your own delightful little home, [illegible] you can.

Mr. Worthington of the Bryn Mawr Church called me up on the telephone yesterday. I was hoping to have a talk with him at the Alumnae meeting yesterday afternoon. Mr. Worthington says that a number of them [illegible] such list to hear Dr. Ames, and that if the invitation is confirmed, they would like to come to Bryn Mawr for the 30th, and are [illegible] you give him up for that day. They will make any financial [illegible] you and Mrs. Dodge. I do think that the Bryn Mawr Church would be a fine field for Dr. Ames, and I wish such a man might be there for the sake of his influence on Bryn Mawr College.

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[illegible] him settled here, and that [illegible] you can do to help the Bryn Mawr people you will be [illegible] to do.

[illegible] Yours,

[illegible].

March 19th, 1903.

Mr. H. C. Ostrom,

Box 534,

Athens, Ga.

My dear Mr. Ostrom:-

I return herewith the reports of the addresses. I have done the best I could to put them in shape.

Will you kindly send a galley proof of the address on "The World's Debt to the Missionary" to Mr. H. K. Caskey, 429 Confederation Life Building, Toronto, Canada, and another proof to Mr. R. E. Dixon, of the Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va. Mr. Caskey wants this for use in the Canada papers in connection with the Convention in Toronto, and Mr. Dixon wants it for use in the next number of the Union Seminary Magazine. I hope that you can arrange to send these this month.

Very sincerely yours,

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Dictated March 16th.

March 19th, 1909.

Mr. Charles D. Hilles,

Chauncey, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Hilles:-

I have written to Dr.Stevenson as you suggest, but I fear the fact that he expects Mr. Johnson Ross, of England, to be in his church next Sunday may lead him to feel that he should be in the pulpit with Mr.Ross.

I see from the paper that your going to Washington has been now definitely settled. I trust that God may bless you in the new life into which you go, and that He may help you to help us to find a man to take your place.

With warm regard,

Very cordially yours,

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Mrs. Alexander,

10 West 54th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mrs. Alexander:-

Dr.Adam writes that he expects to sail for Europe July 3rd, and that he will not be able, accordingly, to go Seabright on July 10th.

Very affectionately yours,

[illegible] March 16th.

March [illegible], 1909.

Mr. David Harvey, Jr.,

[illegible],

N. J.

My dear Mr. Harvey:-

[illegible] is received. I am expecting to leave for South America the first week in May, to be gone until October, so that I shall not be able to come down for a Sunday in May. I think you could not do better than to arrange with Dr.Alexander for a number of Sundays.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 16th.

[illegible], [illegible].

[illegible] M. [illegible],

[illegible] Washington St.,

Huntingdon, Pa.

My dear Mr. Brown [illegible]:-

Your kind note of March 11th has been received.

I had fully planned on coming back to Huntingdon for "Old Home Week" but I am sorry to have to say that my plans have been changed, and I am expecting to be in South America at that time, not getting home until [illegible]. If I were to be in Huntingdon for that week, I should be happy to speak in the old home church.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible] Brown.

March 29th, 1909.

Mr. Charles A. Rowland,

Atlanta,

Ga.

My dear Mr. Rowland:-

Your kind note of March 10th, with its enclosed check [illegible] expenses to Birmingham, has been received. I thank you very much for your kind promptness.

I am forwarding the reports which Mr. Ostrom forwarded, and would request that he file as soon as possible. I trust the influence of the Convention may prove abiding.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 13th.

March 20th, 1906.

The Rev. John Calvin Goddard,

Salisbury,

Conn.

My dear Mr. Goddard:-

Your very kind note of the 12th has been received, and I enclose herewith a check covering the expenditure which you were so kind as to incur in behalf of our Committee.

Three members of our Committee went to Salisbury this last Sunday, but they did not come back enthusiastic. I heard the report of only one of them, and I imagine nothing further will be done in that direction.

With warm regard,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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March 22nd, 1909.

Mr. Edwin M. Bulkley,

Laurel in the Pines,

Lakewood, N. J.

My dear Ned:-

I wrote you a little note from Pottstown on Sunday, but I did not have with me Miss Lady's master piece, [illegible] I enclose herewith. I am sending with it, for fear that you may not have any interesting reading at hand, one of the productions of your Executive Commission. I think, if things are dull in the evening at Laurel in the Pines, you and Mrs. Bulkley could spend a lovely evening together reading this fascinating and luminous literature.

The doctor thinks that it may be whooping cough that Constance has, and although it is nearly three weeks since it began, it seems a rather belated discovery. I sincerely trust that it may be so, for the worst in that case is already past. I am dictating at home to-day, and, a moment ago, overheard Margaret telephoning to make an appointment with Lucy; so that I presume they are joyfully engaged now in the manufacture of mud-pies or some equally interesting activity.

With a great deal of love from us all,

Ever your friend.

Dictated March 16th.

March 22nd, 1909.

Dr. P. Chalmers Jamieson,

139 Montague Street,

Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Jamieson:-

Mrs. Jamieson's very kind note was received yesterday.

It is too kind and gererous of you to do this, but it is thoroughly characteristic. I hope that none of us may have any trouble with our eyes in the future. If we do, we shall want to come to you, but we shall have to take the precaution in advance of making sure that you will let us come, so far as this particular is concerned, as where mine. Elliott and I do thank you for all your great kindness to us both.

I have hoped to have a chance to see you here about the Canadian trip, but I don't know whether that will be possible. Moses you and Mrs. Jamieson and Jeanette make a little expedition to Englewood. Don't you think you could do so some nice spring day? I would arrange to be home, if you could, and it would give us all great joy to see you. I would like it especially, as I expect to go off the first week in May, to be gone for six months in South America.

With warm regards, and thanking Mrs. Jamieson most heartily for her good note, and with much love from us all,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated March 16th.

March 20th, 1909.

Mr. William A. Sawyer.

3400 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Sawyer:-

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith the lines from the Bible which was given to me and which I quoted at Euston Hall.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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President J.W.Thomas,

Middlebury College,

[illegible], Vt.

My dear President Thomas:

[illegible] be in this vicinity the last Sunday in May, and I write, accordingly, in behalf of the Committee on Supplies of the Presbyterian Church in Englewood, to invite you cordially to fill our pulpit that day. [illegible] trust still to the friendly [illegible] of those who are free to supply Churches like our own, without a pastor. Will you kindly let me know whether it will be possible for you to accept our invitation ?

Very cordially yours,

March 22nd, 1907.

The Rev. John A. McKerry,

150 Fourth Avenue, North,

Nashville, Tenn.

My dear Mr. McKerry:-

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith an article on "The Blessed Life," which I promised to write for the [illegible] Teacher.

Will you kindly send me two copies of the issue of "The Teacher" containing the article?

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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[illegible]

I enclose herewith our treasurer's [illegible]

[illegible] for the work in Ethiopia.

I presume, at the moment, give you the name of [illegible] Bible [illegible] moderate compass. [illegible] I presume that Stanley's "History of the Jewish Church" is as good as anything on the old Testament, while Farrar's "Life of Paul" might be also [illegible] [illegible] they are very condensed; and [illegible] Fuller, [illegible] Miller, and Farrar's "Life of Christ" and "Life of Paul" [illegible]

[illegible] book that covers your ground. I [illegible]

March 13rd, 1893.

Dr. P. Chalmers Jamieson,

139 Montague St.,

Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Jamieson:-

I beg leave to introduce herewith my friend, [illegible] who [illegible] with his eyes [illegible] day-and-night [illegible] Please advise me if I could suggest any oculist to him in the city, and I told him I knew just the person, and advised him to go to you.

Very cordially yours,

March 23rd, 1903.

Mr. John M. Holmes,

4 Irving Place,

New York City.

My dear Jack:-

I shall be very glad indeed to write to Gilbert Beaver regarding Gilbert White. [illegible] I think I had better send him your letter [illegible] with a note of my own. I saw him only a day or two ago on his way [illegible].

I enclose herewith a note to the dentist of whom I spoke to you, Dr. Clarence Jamieson, 168 Montague St., Brooklyn. [illegible] Court Street, the most central in Brooklyn. It is only a short distance from there to Dr.Jamieson's office.

Come in when you can for lunch, and let me know whether I can be of any help whatever.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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Mrs. Charles L. Bailey,

31 South Front Street,

Harrisburg, Pa.

My dear Mother:-

Thank you very much for [illegible] the Jamestown collegeman, and also the letter from Easton. I don't believe our people would be willing to think of calling a man just out of another denomination. He must be a very great and exceptional man for any field, but I don't believe that our Committee would go into the matter. We are still without a man, and have been disappointed in so many clues that we have followed up.

Johnson Ross is coming over from England to preach for Dr. [illegible]. He is a fine speaker, and I believe that he is available for some [illegible]. Both have churches considering him, and I think such a strong man as he could be got there to influence the students in the college.

I shall write to Aunt Rachel about the clothes. I stopped off in Philadelphia yesterday morning, and went to the tailors, but he told me that it was absolutely impossible to do anything with them, except for some man of the proportions of Dr. Moore, that it would be out of the question to cut them down for me. I would have been glad to bring them if I could have done anything with them, but only on condition that Aunt Rachel would let me meet the cost of them. If I can think of any one who might be able to take them, I shall let either you or her know.

March 24th, 1909.

Professor J.D Crave,

700 Park Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Professor Crave:

Your kind note of yesterday is just received. I was just on the point of writing to you to ask you to give me July 13th and 27th and August 1st and 8th, but in view of your letter we shall have to give you up for the 8th, but you will keep the other dates for us, will you not ? It is possible that we shall want to call on you for July 11th, but I cannot write definitely about that , and so could not complain if in case we do write later, we should find that you have made some other appointment for that day.

I was delighted to learn from Mrs. Speer about little Jean's visit to you and Joan and am happy in your happiness in having her there.

With kindest regards to Joan and yourself, I am

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], [illegible].

Mr. Edward C. Wood,

Howard Houston Hall,

Philadelphia, Pa.

[illegible]ed:-

[illegible] your good note of March 17th, with [illegible], [illegible] which I thank you, is received. I very much enjoyed the Day, and as [illegible] the meetings of the Day left any good impression in any head or heart.

[illegible] pleasure to send you herewith the [illegible] of poetry from the fly leaf of my Bible.

I am expecting to go away on May 5th for six months to South America, and Joe Cook is going with me.

As ever,

[illegible],

Dictated March 17th.

March 23rd, 1909.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D.D.,

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Miller:-

Your kind note of yesterday, and your very good and uplifting letter have both been received, and I am grateful to you for these and for all your loving help.

I shall be glad to try to write several more of the "Habit" talks for Pilgrim before I get away. I shall be sorry to be so far away from you for all these months, but I shall often think of you, and shall be sure always of your loving thought.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 21st, [illegible]

President H. F. Cutler,

Mount Hermon,

Mass.

My dear [illegible]:-

I am very much obliged for your good letter of March 13th. I have written to Mr. Slater and also to Mrs. Archard, from whom I have another letter, in which she proposes to bring an action against the School, and enclose herewith copies of my replies to them.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 17th.

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Mr. Gilbert A. Bostwick,

114 East 58th Street,

New York City.

My dear Gilbert:

I enclose herewith a letter from Jack Holmes, formerly of Elizabeth. You will remember his family, and perhaps Jack [illegible].

As you may know, he was off the track for awhile, but he has been, I believe, absolutely steady and faithful now for some years. He has been working in New York for a long time, and I see him [illegible] and have entire confidence in him. For a long time, he has been with the Consolidated Gas Company, where he has had to work like a slave and where the anticipated advancement has not as yet come. He is, I believe, an expert [illegible], especially in the calculation of cost of production, and is well up in several lines, especially the line of iron piping.

The other day I received a letter from him, which I think I will enclose herewith. Marguerite is his daughter. He has been separated from his wife and daughter for some time, but has every month sent money to them, and I think his chief desire for better wages is to be of more help to them. I hope that anything you can do to help him you will do. As I said, I have thorough confidence in him, and have rejoiced in [illegible] way in which he has borne himself ever since he [illegible] to see him in New York, several years ago. His address is, Mr. John H. Holmes, [illegible] Place. Perhaps you could [illegible]

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day, and you and he and I could go out to lunch together.

It was a great pleasure to see you on the ferry boat; I only wish that we could have had a longer time together.

With much love to Ann and Katherine,

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 17th.

Not Signed.

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Mr. Don O. Shelton,

[illegible] Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Shelton:-

I have written an article on "Books That Have Helped Me Most," which I promised to write for "The Bible To-day," and shall hope to send it up to you within a few days.

Very sincerely yours,

March [illegible], 1905.

Mr. Charles D. Hilles,

Chauncey,

N. Y.

My dear Mr. Hilles:-

I enclose herewith a note from Dr.Devins with reference to his speaking at the Children's Village.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

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All sentimentally ours,

Mr. George Beecher.

[illegible] Baldwin Place,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear [illegible] Beecher:—

I appreciate very much your kind [illegible] in sending me a copy of the New Haven paper with reference to the Sunday morning service in Battell Chapel. I thought of you both Sundays that I was in New Haven, and I know that I had the help of your prayers.

Very cordially yours.

Dictated March 16th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. James G. Bailey,

Union Theological Seminary,

700 Park Ave., New York City.

My dear Mr. Bailey:-

Since writing you with reference to my coming up to speak at the Seminary on the evening of April 5th, I find that there is another appointment which I ought to make for that evening, if possible, and I write to ask whether I could come, instead, for April 19th or 26th, or whether, in case these evenings are full, it would inconvenience you to release me for the evening of April 5th.

Very sincerely yours,

March 24th, 1909.

Mr. S. Edgar Briggs,

158 Fifth Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Briggs:-

As you may remember, I was about to send the address on "The Deity of Christ," which you are publishing, to Mr.Scott in London, who wanted it to issue uniform with the other address on "The Value of Hardness." Are you bring it out both in London and here in the form which you showed me the other day? Mr.Scott will be expecting some answer to his last letter which I received some weeks ago. If you are going to bring it out on the other side, as well as here, I shall tell Mr. Scott so.

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 24th, 1909.

The Rev. Henry Wilde Smith,

Lee,

Mass.

My dear Mr. Smith:-

Your note of March 14th has been received.

I was glad to hear from you, and shall be glad to be of any service that I can when opportunity offers. My advice would be to get settled in some church, even though it is a small one. I think it would be much easier to work from such a field to a larger and more influential one, than it will be to enter a field of this sort from outside any settled pastorate.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 24th, 1909.

Dr. Samuel Pierson,

Stamford,

Conn.

My dear Dr. Pierson:-

I have heard that Dr. Ottman has resigned the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church of Stamford, and I venture to take the liberty to suggest to you, through the proper committee, the name of the Rev. George T. Eddy, of Huntington, Long Island.

Mr. Eddy was a senior when I was a freshman in Princeton College. He was graduated at the head of his class in college and held the same place in his class in the seminary. He then studied abroad, I think on a Fellowship, and since then has held pastorates in Beverly, N.J., St.Louis, Mo., and Huntington, Long Island. In St.Louis, he was assistant to Dr. James H. Parks, one of the best known Presbyterian ministers in the West. Mr. Eddy is a true man and a scholar,- a lover and preacher and, I believe, a liver of the gospel. Mr. George Taylor, of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, spends a part of the year in Huntington, and I think he would be able to give you a good judgment of his present work as pastor and preacher. Mr.Taylor's address is, 8 West 126th St., New York City.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 24th, 1909.

The Rev. George T. Eddy,

Huntington,

L. I.

My dear Eddy:-

Your note regarding Stamford, and the churches at Blairstown and Erie has been received.

Erdman and I have both written to the Erie Church regarding George Gillespie. I have not written to the Stamford Church regarding him, however, and am writing to Dr.Pierson, whom I think I have met, regarding you. The church in Blairstown is, as you have been informed, without a pastor, and they are looking for a man there? I believe the salary is $1600. Still, the living expenses there are probably very low. Dr.Vail, who is a member of the Park Presbyterian Church in Newark, of which Mr. McDowell is pastor, will, I think, be influential in naming a pastor for the Blairstown Church, and if that field appeals to you at all, I think a good approach would be through Mr.McDowell.

Do not hesitate to let me know of anything further that I can do.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 16th, 1901.

The Rev. William P. Stevenson, D.D.,

[illegible],

N. Y.

My dear Dr. Stevenson:-

I am very much obliged for your note of yesterday [illegible] Mr. Mills, whom I have known for a number of years, but [illegible] to judge of his adaptation to such a field as this. I think the Committee is to meet this evening, however, and I shall take pleasure in presenting your note.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 24th, 1909.

[illegible],

[illegible],

Pa.

[illegible]

My friend, Professor Erdman of Princeton Seminary, has written to you regarding the Rev. George E. Gillespie, of Coatesville, Pa., as a suitable man for the pastorate of your Church, left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Hodge.

Mr. Gillespie and I were classmates in college, and I have known him intimately for the last twenty-four years. His father was the Rev. George Gillespie, with whom I was associated as one of the [illegible] of the Presbyterian Board of [illegible], from [illegible] until the time of his death. He was one of the truest, most upright, most straightforward and generally capable men I have known. The son [illegible] and has his father's qualities [illegible], a true pastor, and I believe, and an earnest, acceptable preacher. He has an excellent [illegible], Pa., and I know no reason why he should be upon to a call to Erie, but I am glad to support what my friend, Professor [illegible], may have written. I think Mr. Gillespie would be an excellent [illegible], and have no hesitation in recommending him most heartily and sincerely to you.

[illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible], June, 1902.

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[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Mr. [illegible]

Your letter with reference to the piano to hand is just received.

I would be glad to write to Mr.Covert, but I thought it was possible that you would [illegible] Mr. Ireland & Covert here. [illegible] I do not think the financial position of the matter in Erie. I would [illegible] other regards the situation in Cleveland would be more satisfactory.

Very cordially yours.

Dictated March 17th.

March [illegible], 1900.

Mr. [illegible] P. Colton,

124 East [illegible] St.,

[illegible] York City.

My dear Colton:-

I [illegible] delighted to know that you are [illegible] up to Dartmouth for the meetings March 21st [illegible] 22rd. I shall be very glad indeed to join in remembering [illegible] meetings in prayer, and I hope that God may [illegible] bless you [illegible] it.

Very [illegible] ly yours,

Dictated March 17[illegible].

March 24th., 1903.

Mr. Harold W. High,

Brown University,

Providence, R. I.

My dear Mr. High:-

Your kind note, with reference to the proposed meetings at Brown University, is received.

I should be very glad to be there if I could, but I am expecting [illegible] until the [illegible] of May 5th, to be gone six months, and shall have so many things to attend to these last days before leaving that it will not be possible for me to get up to Brown for the Student Volunteer meeting, May 1st and 2nd.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 17th.

March 14th, 1911.

Mr. Fred C. Mabee,

Sumner Hall,

Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Mr. Mabee:-

Your kind note, with reference to the proposed meetings at Brown University, is received.

I should be very glad to be there if I could, but I am expecting to sail for South America on May 5th, to be gone six months, and shall have so many things to attend to those last days before leaving that it will not be possible for me to get up to Brown for the Student Volunteer meeting, May 1st and 2nd.

Very cordially yours,

dictated March 17th.

March 25th, 1909.

The Rev. John McDowell,

Park Presbyterian Church,

Newark, N.J.

My dear McDowell:

I am very glad that we can count on you for the last Sunday in August. We havn't found our minister yet, but our Committee is to have a meeting this evening and I hope may draw a little nearer at that time.

I thank you for the clipping from the PRESBYTERIAN [illegible].

With kind regards to Mrs. McDowell and yourself, I am

Ever cordially yours,

March 25th, 1909.

The Rev. J.M.Farrar, D.D.,
First Reformed Church,
7th Avenue and Carroll Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Farrar:

Mr. Schenck gave me, a few days ago, your note of March 6th, and in behalf of our Committee on Supplies I write to ask whether you could fill our pulpit on Sunday, July 11th. We have two services, - one at eleven in the morning and the other at 4.30 in the afternoon.

Very sincerely yours,

March 25th, 1909.

The Rev. James MacLeod, D.D.,

Cape May, N.J.

My dear Dr. MacLeod:

We are planning now for supplies beyond May 1st, and I write to ask whether you could come to preach for us May 9th.

Very cordially yours,

March 26th, 1909.

Mr. F.F.Turner,

125 East 27th Street,

New York City.

My dear Turner:

Those Brown University people have certainly arranged a bombardment. I don't know how many letters I have received about that Conference on May 1st and 2nd. I should be glad to go if I could, but I am sailing May 5th, if nothing prevents, for South America, to be gone six months among our Missions there, and I cannot go those last days up to Providence. I hope they may have a good meeting.

Ever cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

"arch 26th, 1909.

Mr. William McM. Speer,

"The World,"

New York City.

My dear Will:

I have been looking for you on the trains lately but have got no glimpse of you at all. I wanted to tell you about a trip which I shall have to take this Summer down to South America to visit our Missions in Brazil and Chili and Colombia. I expect to sail on May 5th, returning the latter part of October. A cousin of Emma's, - a graduate of Princeton and a fine young fellow, who is now studying medicine in the University of Pennsylvania - is coming with me. Emma and the children are staying home, going for the Summer to Eaglesmere, Pennsylvania, where Mrs. Bailey and two of Emma's brothers and their families are accustomed to spend the Summer.

I expect to spend two months in Brazil and then go on down to the Argentine, and either across the mountains to Chili or around by the Straits, spending a month in Chili and coming back by way of Barranquilla and the Republic of Colombia.

I was down in Baltimore a few weeks ago and had a nice call on Mrs. Post.

With much love from us all to you and Margaret and the children, I am

Affectionately your brother,

Dictated March 24th.

March 26th, 1909.

My dear Vic:

I am very sorry I missed you the other day when you called. I wish you had sent in word and I would have come out. I do wish that on some one of these visits down you could allow time enough to come out and spend a night in Englewood. Do this within the next five or six weeks if you can, because I am going off the first week in May to be gone six months in South America, visiting the Missions in Brazil and Chili and Colombia. I expect to get back the end of October. Emma and the children will remain at home, spending the Summer at Eaglesmere, where Emma's mother and two of her brothers go with their families.

With much love from us all to you and Anna, I am

Affectionately your brother,

Mr. Victor Speer,
Mayor's Office,
Buffalo, New York.

March 26th, 1909.

Mr. Joseph W. Cook,

Pottstown, PA.

My dear Joe:

I havn't got your Philadelphia address, so I write this to you at Pottstown. On coming back from the Hill I wrote to Mr. Provost but have not yet had any reply, but it was evidently unnecessary.

I am delighted to learn from your letter that everything is arranged so that you can get off with me on the 5th. I have engaged passage, and they have given us what they say is the best cabin on the boat, though they have some state rooms on the upper deck which cost $25. extra per individual. I thought you wouldn't care for this, however, and my own principle is to travel the same way the missionaries travel.

Let me know any time that you could come over to spend a night. I am getting all the points I can on the matter of outfit, but they do not amount to very much. Apparently one had better go prepared for every kind of weather and temperature, and yet undoubtedly most of the time it will be warm.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 26th, 1909.

Mr. Murray G. Brooks,

Strathcona Hall,

Montreal, Canada.

My dear Mr. Brooks:

Your kind note of March 17th has been received. I wish I could accept your invitation for next Winter, but I see no possibility of being able to do so. I expect to go to South America in a few weeks to be gone until the end of October, and then I shall scarcely have gotten time to get my work in hand before I shall have to go off for January and February to Scotland, so that I fear I shall not be available for much work in the colleges here next Winter.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. R.D.Dickson,

Union Theological Seminary,

Richmond, VA.

Dear Mr. Dickson:

I have revised and returned to Mr. Ostrom the report of the address on "The World's Debt to the Missionary," and have asked him to send you a galley proof before the first of April.

Very truly yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. W.J.Campbell,

Spring Valley, New York.

My dear Mr. Campbell:

Your kind note of March 19th was received. It would be a great pleasure to attent the meeting of the Ramapo Sunday School Association on the last week of April if I could do so, but I am expecting to leave the first week in May for South America to be gone for six months and I have already made as many engagements as I can hope to be able to care for with the other work that will need to be done in order that I can get away.

I hope you may have a very good meeting, and that some time in the future you will ask me again, when I shall be glad to come if possible.

Very sincerely yours,

pictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. E.L.Allen,

Charlotte, MICH.

My dear Mr. Allen:

It will not be possible for me to accept your kind invitation to attend the County Convention at Charlotte on May 29th and 30th. I expect to be in South America at that time, visiting our Missions in Brazil.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

The Rev. J. Ritchie Smith, D.D.,

Harrisburg, PA.

My dear Dr. Smith:

Your kind note of March 23rd is received. I am sorry to have to say that I expect to be in Scotland next February, fulfilling an engagement to deliver some missionary lectures there and doing what I can to help in the final preparations for the WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE to be held in Edinburgh in June, 1910. It will be impossible, accordingly, for me to come over to Harrisburgh for any Sunday that month.

May I say how glad Mrs. Speer and I are that you have decided to remain at Marquis Square ?

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Charlie:

I enclose, herewith, the last twp of the articles in the series on Paul, and also some more of the Young People's Topics. I shall hope to have all of these done within the next few weeks.

Yes, indeed, Emma and I will be delighted to have you and Aline come over at your convenience. You speak of preferring to wait a few weeks until you can go over the work for the coming year. I expect to be home almost all the month of April and I am refraining from making engagements out of town in view of the fact that I shall have only those last weeks at home for some months, so that almost any night that you and Aline find it convenient will, I think, be convenient for Emma and me.

If you are able, will you let me know two or three days on which you can come, and I shall find out whether Emma has any other appointments.

Ever affectionately yours,

Enclosures.
Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. E.C.Worman,

167 Tremont Street,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Worman:

Your good letter of March 17th has been received. I have not lacked for a multitude of cordial invitations to attend the meeting in Providence, but it is impossible for me to do so as I am expecting to sail the first week in May for South America, to be gone for six months.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

The Rev. B.C.Dickie, D.D.,

Winona Lake, Indiana.

My dear Dr. Dickie:

Your kind note of March 16th is at hand. I appreciate the cordiality of your invitation, and if it were a practicable thing would be happy to come back to visit Winona again but the Board has instructed me to visit our Missions in South America this Summer, and I expect to sail, if nothing prevents, on May 5th to be gone for six months.

I hope very much that you may be able to get Mr. Bible, as his message will, I know, take unusual hold on intelligent people.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. Thomas H. Billings,

Y.M.C.A.,

Montreal, Canada.

My dear Mr. Billings:

Your kind note of March 11th is received. I am sorry it will not be possible for me to get to any of the Student Conferences this Summer. I expect to leave for South America the first week in May, not returning until the end of October.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. Mornay Williams,

25 Liberty Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Williams:

I am sorry I cannot hope to go up to the Children's Village for Easter Sunday. I should like very much to be there that day, but have already an engagement to spend that day at Andover, Mass.

Very cordially yours,

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. Joseph P. Hall,

Plumtree, N.C.

My dear Mr. Hall:

Your kind note of March 18th is received. It would be a great pleasure to me to accept your invitation to speak to the boys at the Institute this Summer if I could do so, but I am expecting to leave for South America the first week in May to be gone until the end of October.

With cordial sympathy with your work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. Morris H. Ehnes,

156 Fifth Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Ehnes:

I enclose, herewith, a brief introduction to the biographical sketches. As you will see, the list of books should be appended, giving the one best biography regarding each one of the characters. I think you have this list, - at least for the most part - and I should be glad to check it over or to add anything that you may not have in mind, if you will kindly prepare it. The Life of Armstrong would be Mrs. Talbot's, and the Life of Bishop Taylor would be the large one which you loaned me.

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

March 19th, 1909.

Mr. F. C. K. Mehlhouse,

[illegible],

Pa.

My dear Mr. Mehlhouse:-

I address this letter to you as your name is first among the signatures to the letter of February 15th, from the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of Pottstown.

I was glad of the opportunity last Sunday afternoon to say just a word of grateful appreciation of this letter, but I want also to [illegible] you and the other gentlemen whose names are signed to it.

I am very thankful for the expressions of the letter. It is eighteen years ago that I have been visiting Pottstown, and they have been very happy years, and many of the brightest experiences of them have come to me in the Pottstown visits. Ever since the month which I spent with the Reading Association, during Mr. Lyckman's vacation in the summer of 1892, I have entertained many dear friends among the people of Pottstown, and I am confident the world will remember their friendship to me. I wish the blessing from God's richest blessing to rest upon each one of you gentlemen who have signed this letter.

Your sincere friend,

Dictated March 16th.

March 25th, 1909.

The Rev. S. Beattie Wylie,

New Castle, Delaware.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Payson has referred to me, as Acting Chairman of the Committee on Supplies of the Englewood Church, your note of March 20th. We have already tentatively arranged our schedule for the Summer, but shall be very glad to keep your kind note for consideration in case there are any re-arrangements.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 25th, 1909.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,

1031 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Charlie:

I send, herewith, the revised copy of the address on "How To Speak Effectively Without Notes." It could easily be enlarged a good deal, but that would alter its character as an informal and largely extemporaneous address, and at present I am afraid I have not the time to spend on it that would be requires to transform its character in this way.

You will let me read the proof, will you not ?

Very affectionately yours,

Enclosure.

March 20th, 1909.

Mr. Paul Moody,

East Northfield,

Mass.

My dear Paul:-

I have not been able to think of any good Bible teacher for [illegible] I have suggested that you correspond with Miss Ethel Cutler, 127 East 27th Street, and Miss Gertrude Allen, 7 Gramercy Square East, as they might know if some one who would meet the requirements. If I hear of any one who might be available, I shall be glad to let you know.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 16th.

P.S. - March 27th, 1909.

I have delayed sending this because I have heard of one or two other possibilities. I think it might be worth your while corresponding with Miss Ruth Parker, who edited the ASSOCIATION MONTHLY for the Christian Associations, and whom we should have been glad to send out to the foreign field several years ago if she had been home. Her address is 6701 Second Avenue, Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, N.Y. And I would suggest, also, Miss Olive Dutcher, who is now teaching the Bible at Mount Holyoke, and who is a graduate of Barnard.

March 27th, 1903.

Mrs. E.R.Gould,

North Billerica, MASS.

My dear Mrs. Gould:

Your letter of March 19th has been duly received. I do not wonder that your mind has turned to the questions which you ask, and I wish I could throw light upon them, but I fear I cannot.

You ask, first, where,- in case the clothes which had been about the body of Jesus had been left behind in the tomb- did he get the clothes which he wore when Mary talked with him. I cannot say. Where did he get the fish and the bread and the fire referred to in John 21:9 ? I don't know whether these or the clothes were miraculously supplied or not, but I believe they were.

You ask, secondly, what became of Christ's body when He was carried up into Heaven. I think the body in which Christ was carried up was, or became, His purely spiritual body.

But the whole question of our Lord's body after the resurrection is a mystery to me. It seems to have been a body with flesh and blood, and yet it appeared and disappeared and passed through solid walls. It could be touched and identified, and yet it ascended into Heaven. We know nothing about it except what we learn of it through the Gospels and I am content to take those statements as true and wait for their full understanding until God's own time.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 26th.

March 26th., 1909.

Mr. Richard G. Badger,

194 Boylestown Street,

Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 15th was duly received.

I appreciate your suggestion, but I have no manuscript to submit for publication. Those which I have in hand are in prospect or already arranged for.

Very truly yours,

March 26th, 1909.

Mr. Frank H. Robson,

The Bancroft School,

Worcester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Robson:

I was glad to get your note of March 21st, although I am afraid I cannot be of much help to you in finding your minister, because we are looking for a man of just the same sort that you are wanting, except that I presume our people would naturally think of someone a little more conservative than might suit you. A man very well commended to us is Mr. Potter of Simsbury, brother of Rockwell Potter of Hartford. A committee of our Church went up to hear him, but was not inclined to go further. Still, you can never account for tastes and from what I hear of Mr. Potter, I think he would be well worth your looking into. I have heard very highly, also, of the Rev. [illegible] of Naugatuck. I should think it would be worth your while looking him up.

Have you ever considered the Rev. E.H.Rudd of Deadham? I don't think he would be regarded as an especially strong preacher, but he is a good man and I should think would be an excellent pastor and Church worker. The Rev. John Calvin Goddard of Salisbury is a thoroughly good man, but I don't know whether he would care for a Church like yours, or whether he is young and physically robust enough, but he is a very clever man and a man for whom I have a very high regard. I have heard the Rev. W.J.Alexander, D.D., formerly of one of the Presbyterian Churches in Cleveland, who has just returned

Mr. Robeson - 2.

from a year or two of special study abroad, very well spoken of. You could learn fully regarding him from President Francis Brown, D.D., Union Theological Seminary, 700 Park Avenue, New York City.

If I can think of any other names I shall be glad to suggest them to you.

With kind regards from Mrs. Spear and myself, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 26th.

[illegible], 1[illegible],

The Rev. Edwin H. Kellogg,

[illegible],

[illegible].

Dear Mr. Kellogg:-

I have been very much interrupted and away or I should have written earlier in reply to your kind invitation.

Wednesday evening is the only evening that I shall be in Toronto, and with all the appointments at which I have to speak, I fear it will not be possible for me to get out at all for the pleasure of any social engagements. I have already had to decline an invitation from old friends to spend the little time I shall be in Toronto with them.

I do not expect to arrive until Wednesday noon, and must leave Thursday afternoon returning, and I shall hope to have the pleasure of seeing you, and beg you to thank Mrs. Henderson very heartily for her most kind invitation.

Very cordially yours,

March 30th, 1909.

Mr. A. E. Taylor,

Wycliffe College,

Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

I should have answered your note of March 24th before this, if I had been able to do so.

It will give me pleasure to see you in Toronto, although I fear the only time that I can hope to see you would be on Thursday afternoon, after the Woman's Meeting, at which I promised to speak at 3.30. If you could be at that meeting and catch me at the close, I should be very glad indeed to be of any service to you that I can.

Very sincerely yours,

March 30th, 1909.

Mr. Howard Arnold Walter,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
Hartford, CONN.

My dear Mr. Walter:-

I am sorry to have been delayed in replying to your note of March 24th, but I am unable to keep up with my correspondence with the constant absences.

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to furnish any copy of my address in advance or at the time. I have to leave to-day for the Laymen's Missionary Convention in Toronto, and shall not get back until Friday, and must go up Friday evening to Hartford. I wish I could do as you suggest, but there will be no opportunity to prepare the address.

Very sincerely yours,

March 29th, 1909.

Mr. F.B.Schenck,

Liberty National Bank,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Schenck:

After one of our recent Committee Meetings, at which the name of Mr. Stocking of Newtonville was proposed, I wrote to a friend in Boston, a prominent Congregational minister, asking about Mr. Stocking and received the following reply:

"Mr. Stocking is commanding a very strong position in Newtonville and is, so far as I know, universally liked. He is a good organizer and preacher and is getting his church together in a wonderful way. I asked one of the members, soon after receiving your letter, about him, and he at once - suspecting that it was in the interests of some church - replied, 'You mustn't come near Newtonville. We cannot let our pastor go,' and would not say anything about Mr. Stocking except to protest against any enquiries being made. From all that I can learn that is the attitude of the Newtonville people.

In regard to his theological standing, as to whether he is a latitudinarian or not I cannot speak so freely. I have never heard him speak. I imagine he would not be called a 'conservative,' certainly not old school, and yet I should regard him as moderately liberal, standing perhaps on an intermediate ground, not emphasizing the liberal side in his preaching or in Biblical exposition, but aiming at the practical. I wish I could speak more definitely in regard to this.

Since writing the above another member of Mr. Stocking's church has been in, and he tells me that Mr. Stocking is considered to be very liberal in theology, - more so, I should judge, than I have suggested above. My judgment therefore would be that he would hardly meet the requirements of the church in Englewood."

I have also several letters regarding Mr. Potter, but I judge you will not care for these.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 29th, 1909.

Mr. F.B.Schenck,

Liberty National Bank,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Schenck:

I have made enquiries in Minnesota regarding Dr. Nelson and have the following word from Mr. Bushnell, pastor of the Westminster Church:

"In reply to your enquiry regarding Dr. Nelson, I have delayed a little hoping to secure better information. His church is quite close to our First Presbyterian Church and is in about the same class, not quite so large. He has not been in the city very long and I have not, myself, more than casually met him. I hear only good words about him. He is reported to be a strong preacher and from what I can learn of him I should think that it would be well worth your while to investigate more closely. He has some of the Canadian peculiarities which perhaps on the whole are in his favor. I wish I could speak more from personal knowledge, but this may be all that you need from me. I would certainly advise you to look him up."

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 24th.

March 31st, 1909.

The Rev. R. P. Mackay, D.D.,

429 Confederation Life Building,

Toronto, Canada.

My dear Dr. Mackay:-

Your kind note of March 27th with reference to the Reception arranged for the evening of April 1st, has been received.

I wish I could hope to have the pleasure of being present, but I must return to New York after the afternoon meeting that day, as I have appointments here on Friday and in Hartford on Saturday.

I trust that the Convention may be richly blessed.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

The Rev. George Grenvill Merrill,

214 Porter Ave.,

Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear George:-

I was delighted to get your note of March 29rd, and should be happy to have you spend April 12th with us.

That is the night of our Annual College Dinner in Englewood, when the college graduates of the community get together; and while it won't be very quiet, I think you will find it a change and restful. I would be glad to stay at home, if I could, and spend the evening in quiet, but I had promised to speak at the dinner before your good note came. I hope you will come anyhow, and you and Sailer and I can have a little class reunion in the midst of the company.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Merrill and much love,

Ever your friend,

Edward S. Ives

Dictated March 30th.

April 2nd, 1909.

Mrs. Josephine D. Archard,

54 West 131st St.,

New York City.

Dear Mrs. Archard:-

I have been away all the week and have to leave again this evening. I had no opportunity to read your letter of [illegible], which was not received until the 29th., until last evening, and have not been able to communicate with Mr. Cutler.

I think the right course for you to pursue is to go to Mount Hermon and see Mr. Cutler and the Discipline Committee.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Speer deeply regrets that other engagements prevent his having the pleasure of accepting the kind invitation of Allegheny College to be present at the Fiftieth Anniversary of Bishop Thoburn's sailing for India. Mr. Speer would be glad if it were possible for him to be present in testimony of his affection for Bishop Thoburn's character and admiration for his career.

March 30th, 1909.

April 2nd, 1909.

Mr. John H. Scribner,

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Scribner:-

Have you had suggested to you for the Oaklane Church the name of the Rev. George E. Gillespie of Coatesville? He was the son of Dr. John Gillespie, whom you remember very well, and was a classmate of mine in college. He has done, I have been told, most excellent work in the church in Coatesville where he is, but I judge from what you told me that your church is a stronger church than that in Coatesville, and that you could make an appeal to him that might have weight with him.

He knows nothing of my writing to you on the subject, and I have the limitation with him, as with practically all ministers, of never having heard him preach, but I am told that he is an excellent preacher, and I know him as a genuine, hearty, energetic man. It would be very easy for you to find out all about him and his present work, and I think it would be worth your while looking into it. Mr. Brown could tell you about him, as he and Mr. Gillespie were in the Seminary together and Mr. Calhoun knows him well also, as well as Mr. Bennett. So that if he came, you would have a minister who would be on intimate terms at once with most of his neighbors.

Very cordially yours,

April 1st, 1909.

Mr. Henry Tod,

45 North Castle Street,

Edinburg, Scotland.

My dear Mr. Tod:-

I am glad to learn from your letter of March 19th that the [illegible] for the Lectures have been approved by the Committee.

As to the arrangements for the Lectures, I shall of course be happy to approve of whatever you and the Trustees may do.

Your letter leaves blank the amount of the fee for the Assembly Hall, and I really know what to infer from your statement as to the considerable expense involved in rents, printing, and advertising. I suppose, however, that enough will be left from the Lectureship to pay the steamer passage [illegible] and if not, and in any case, I must leave the whole matter in your hands [illegible] the Trustees. As I have said, all that you may arrange will be entirely satisfactory to me.

With grateful appreciation of your willingness to make all necessary arrangements, I am

Very [illegible],

April 1st, 1909.

The Rev. George T. Berry,
Englewood,
N. J.

My dear George:-

Your good note of March 26th has been received. I think we have almost all our supplies arranged for up to the 1st of September. We have a number of letters in hand, however, with reference to the few open Sundays, and I should be glad to take up what you write regarding Mr. [illegible] with what has come regarding other men.

I am very glad to know that you are going to have a New York headquarters, and shall be glad to see you here in our building. There is no better building around.

I think we can make some good suggestions to your secretary. I have turned over, from time to time, all the letters which have come to me to Mr. Day, who keeps the files for such matters, and I shall ask him to look over it and pick out a few of the best to suggest to you. It is an attractive place, and I think there will be many who will be glad to offer themselves for it. I shall either write to you shortly on the subject, or you will hear from Mr. Day.

I don't know whether Constance has had the whooping cough or not. She has not had anything like the cough which some of the other children of the community have had whose cases have not been pronounced whooping cough; and either hers has been simply bronchitis or there have been a great many other cases of whooping cough which have not been

so identified. She is very much better now, and when I came away this morning was as cheerful as a lark, in spite of an obdurate refusal to take a proper amount of sleep.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 30th.

April 1st, 1909.

The Gospel Publishing Company,

54 West 22nd Street,

New York City.

Dear Sirs:-

The Rev. H. H. Gregg, D.D., pastor of the Washington and [illegible] Presbyterian Church, of St. Louis, writes that Sir Robert [illegible] has placed in your hands the matter of the publication of an American edition of Sir Robert's book, entitled, "In Defence of a Man for the Faith," or, as in the original edition, "A Doubter's Doubts About Science and Religion."

Dr. Gregg has asked me to arrange for the publication of such an American edition, and suggests that you might be willing to take the matter in hand, in view of the fact that you have been importing some copies of the book for the American market. Would you be willing to issue here an American edition, giving Dr. Gregg, in lieu of royalties, copies of the book in value equivalent to the royalty for his distribution? If you would, I should be glad to send you a copy of a preface for the [illegible] which Sir Robert has written and which Dr. Gregg has forwarded to me. Dr. Gregg desires that the American edition should restore the original title; namely, "A Doubter's Doubts About Science and Religion," which I think is a much more effective title than the other.

Will you kindly let me know whether you are prepared to accept this proposal?

Very truly yours,

April 1st, 1910.

Mrs. Henry Loomis,

c/o Miss Tiffley,

1464 Rhode Island Ave., Washington, D.C.

My dear Mrs. Loomis:-

It was a great pleasure to receive your note of March [illegible] and with the enclosed clipping, which I return herewith.

Mr.Boering had already given me the report of the Journal [illegible], for I had not seen the editorial from 'The Weekly Box of Curios.' I am sorry that Mr. [illegible] has the weakness of doing this kind of thing. I judge it is like one before. I hope that he may get over it, and that [illegible] may feel, as he has a right to feel, greatly encouraged at the progress that has been made, which is certainly wonderful.

It will be very nice to see you when you are back in New York, [illegible] and the children will want to see you again also. [illegible] I [illegible] had quite a siege of bronchitis [illegible] a very bad cough, although the doctor himself is not sure which it is.

With kind regards from us all,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated March 30th.

[illegible]

April 1st, 1909.

Mr. Robert Scott,

61 Paternoster Row,

London, E.C., England.

My dear Mr. Scott:-

I have delayed writing to you with reference to the publication of the address on "The Deity of Christ" until I could revise the report and determine just what use to make of it.

In addition to your kind note, two of our publishers here wish to get out the address, and I concluded to give it to Revell, who has published almost all my other books. He is issuing it as a small book, and I think I shall later combine it with some other addresses, and publish it in a larger volume. As Revell will want to issue this on both sides, I think perhaps I had better not think of asking you to issue it in the same form as "The Value of Hardness."

I shall be very glad if at some other time, in the near future, you care to put out any other little book of mine.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

Mrs. C.M.Thorpe,

1221 Locust Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Mrs. Thorpe:

I have pleasure in adding as a postscript a few words for the new Century Club Calendar.

Dictated March 25th.

P.S. - One of the easy excuses of our day for not having clear and positive convictions, is the contention that what we think is of no importance, - that what we do is what really matters. We forget that we do what we do because we are what we are; that our character lies back of our conduct, and that we are what we are because we think what we think; that our convictions lie back of our characters. All that really does matter is what we truly think. In the end, as Mr. Chesterton says in the words of Professor James which makes the text of his last lectures, 'the only thing that counts is our real philosophy of life.' That was why the greatest of all teachers, the only teacher who ever dared to identify true religion with personal loyalty to Him and Himself with God, was wont to ask "What think ye of Me ?"

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I fear that what I have written is too long, and I hope that if it is you will feel entirely free to lay it aside or to shorten it, or to let me know if you want something entirely different.

Very cordially yours,

April 1st, 1909.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone,
Brown Memorial House,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear John:-

Your good note is just received.

Of course, I want to be at Horace's wedding, if I can, and Emma and I will be there if it is possible. And if we are there, unless Emma feels that she must come home the same evening, I shall of course be delighted to help in the prayer meeting. Those are terribly busy days for me, however. I am leaving for Canada to-night and shall not get back to Englewood until Saturday afternoon; and that particular week of Horace's wedding I have engagements for the evenings of the 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, and probably the 13th, just at the time when I have been planning to have as much time at home as possible, in order to see Emma and the children a little bit before going off to South America. I find myself loaded up more than ever with appointments. But Horace does not get married every year, and we must certainly be there if we can. Either Emma or I will write as soon as we know definitely.

I think Deacon is getting along very well. I saw him on Saturday for a little while. I think as the spring comes on, however, he will find it increasingly hard to stick at his present work, and I believe it would be a very good thing if he could get out of the city and into the country. If you see Horace, I wish you would speak to him of the possibility of his getting something in Pottstown, in the Chadwick factory.

Mr.Stone--2.

I shall write to Horace about it, also. I have lots of friends in Pottstown who would take a warm interest in the Deacon, if he could get work over there.

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 30th.

April 1st, 1909.

Mr. Joseph W. Cook,

Pottstown,

Pa.

My dear Joe:-

I enclose herewith a note from the Dean.

The days are passing very fast now and we shall have to be getting our outfit together very soon. As far as I can make out, we had better go prepared for almost anything. Still, we ought not to carry more stuff than is absolutely necessary, and I presume that we can pick up things that we may need along the way. If you can come over some night next month, we can talk it all over. If not, and you are going to be busy with your work and the examinations, we can find time for it on Sunday, April 18th; but Emma and the children and I would all be delighted, if you have any spare night that you could spend in Englewood.

The boats sail, I think, about noon, but you must come over Tuesday, May 4th, and spend the night with us, and we can then go in to the steamer together.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated March 30th.

April 1st, 1908.

Charles H. Frazier, M.D.,

University of Pennsylvania,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Frazier:-

I am very much obliged for your cordial reply to my note to the Provost. I am very glad that it will be possible for Mr. Cook to go with me to South America, and thank you for your kind assistance.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

Mr. F. B. Schenck,

Liberty National Bank,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Schenck:-

I enclose herewith a letter from Mr. Goddard, the Congregational pastor in Salisbury, Conn., regarding the Rev. Ray Spencer Voorhees, pastor of the Congregational Church at Adams, Mass.

I have made a number of inquiries of Mr. Goddard during our search for a pastor. He is a very good man and one of the leading Congregational ministers in Connecticut. In one of his early letters, he mentioned Mr. Voorhees, and I stated in my reply that I thought the fact that Mr. Voorhees had been divorced and was now remarried would of itself constitute in the minds of many of our people, irrespective of the merits of the case at all, an insuperable objection. In this last letter, as you see, he refers to the question again, and I have told him I would send the letter to you.

I have known Mr. Voorhees for twenty-five years. He is a charming man. He was in the Theological Seminary at Andover when I was in Phillips Academy, and he was very popular with us boys. I have kept in touch with him more or less since, but know nothing more of the painful incidents referred to than Mr. Goddard states in his letter.

I send the letter on to you in case, in the further work of our Committee, you should think it desirable to follow up this suggestion.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 30th.
Mrs.

March 31st, 1909.

The Rev. John Calvin Goddard,

Salisbury,

Conn.

My dear Mr. Goddard:-

I am very much obliged for your note of March 23rd, with its renewed recommendation of Mr. Voorhes. I am sending it to the Chairman of our Committee, Mr. Fred B. Schenck, President of the Liberty National Bank.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

Mr. Nathan Wilbur Helms,

Exeter,

N. H.

My dear Mr. Helms-

Your kind note of March 23rd is received.

I shall go up to Boston on the 10th on the ten o'clock train, which is due at three, and shall take either the 3:30 or the 4:30 for Exeter--the former if I arrive on time. I must go back to Andover on the last train, which you say leaves at 7:42.

I note the query on the back of your envelope. I have no objection to your making the meeting of any character that you think best, so far as attendance is concerned.

Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you in the school,

I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 30th.

April 2nd, 1909.

Mr. L. M. Hawkins,
State Executive Committee,
111 Halsey St., Newark, N. J.

My dear Mr. Hawkins:-

I don't know what the Presbyteries of New Jersey are planning in the way of special evangelistic work among foreigners in the rural communities, but I think you could find out all about it from the Rev. H. B. Cobb, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth. Dr. Cobb has for years been active in the home mission work of the Synod of New Jersey; and although he is, I think, no longer chairman of the committee, he is very much interested in the work and could tell you all that is planned.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

The Rev. H. A. Bridgman,
"The Congregationalist,"
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Bridgman-

Your kind note of March 25th is received.

What you suggest in the way of remuneration for the articles is entirely satisfactory. I am very glad if the articles concurred with what you had in mind in making the suggestion. I hope you and Mrs. Bridgman and the children are all well, and, with kind regards, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1906.

Mr. Harold Pierce,

222 Drexel Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Pierce:-

I have your letters regarding Mr. Johnson Rowe, enclosing copies.

He spent almost all day yesterday in Englewood, and a great many of our people met him. I think he was pleasantly impressed with the community, but he can of course form no judgment until he has seen Montreal, and has also visited Bryn Mawr. I am in a good deal of doubt in the matter, as I know how much I should enjoy his coming to us, and yet I do covet him for the student body of Bryn Mawr. I don't know how the latter will impress him when he sees the conditions on the ground, and I am able to go over the whole situation with you and the Committee. I hope that he may be guided to a right decision, and may choose the field where he can accomplish most for the great Cause.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

Mr. James B. Bailey.

700 Park Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Bailey:-

Your kind note of March 27th was received. I appreciate very much your cordial response to my letter.

I have to leave for South America in a few weeks, to be gone for six months, and that is crowding these last days very full. I had hoped, when I accepted your invitation for April 5th, that that evening would be free, although I had already two appointments for that day. I find, however, as I wrote you, that this is the only evening when I can put in another appointment which ought to be put in. I am grateful to you for releasing me, and only sorry that the only two Monday evenings I had free before leaving for South America are already engaged.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

Mr. T. J. Jones,

Young Men's Christian Association,

El Paso, TEXAS.

Dear Sir:-

Your kind note of March 25th is received.

I am sorry to have to say that I have no expectation of being in the Southwest this coming fall or winter. If I were to be in El Paso, I should be glad to be of any service to you in connection with the work of the Association. I shall be in South America until the late fall, and in Scotland for most of the winter.

Very truly yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

President Woodrow Wilson, LL.D.,

Princeton,

N. J.

My dear President Wilson:-

Your kind note of the 27th is received, and I shall be very glad to come in to see you and Mrs. Wilson on the afternoon of Saturday, April 24th, if that will be convenient.

I have to be in Lawrenceville the following day, and I can go down by way of Princeton Saturday afternoon. I fear that that is almost the only day this spring when I shall be in or near Princeton, as I am expecting to leave the first week in May for six months' absence in South America.

On looking at my engagement book again, I see I have to be in Pottstown on Sunday, April 18th; and if you are to be away on the 24th, I could arrange to stop in Pottstown on the afternoon of the 17th. On the 19th, I should have to come immediately back from Pottstown to Newark, as our Board meets that day.

With kind regard,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 31st, 1909.

The Rev. H. G. Buehler,

Lakeville,

Conn.

My dear Mr. Buehler:-

Your good note of March 22nd, with its two enclosures, for which I thank you very much, has been received. I enclose herewith our Treasurer's acknowledgment for the contributions for the school in India.

I very much enjoyed my visit, and was delighted to see Mrs. Buehler and Barbara so well, and to have Reginald's company as far as Utica. I shall hope to let you know soon as to possible dates for next year, and, with kind regards to Mrs. Buehler and yourself, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated March 30th.

March 30th, 1909.

Mr. Henry H. Rifft,

403 Terminal Building,

Park Ave. & 41st St., New York City.

My dear Mr. Rifft:-

I have an all-day engagement for April 6th, which I fear will prevent my attending the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Juvenile Asylum that day. In case I am absent, will you kindly present my excuse?

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

April 1st, 1902.

Mr. J. W. Stevens,

Milligan College,

Milligan, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Stevens:-

I presume that Mr. Trine's book "In Tune With the Infinite" is somewhat along the lines of the subject which you say you are thinking of for an address, namely, "Aspirations After the Infinite."

I think if I were you, however, I would change the line of thought somewhat. The finite cannot become the Infinite, we can aspire after perfection of the type for which God made us, and I should think that you could make more out of some such subject as "The Ideal of Perfect Character," or "The Glory of Perfect Faithfulness." I think if I were you, I would lay the subject aside on Duty or Conscience. However, If you do, I think Professor Drummond's "The Ideal Life" would be as good a book as you could get.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated March 30th.

[illegible], 1924.

The Rev. G. A. Johnston Ross,

Cambridge,

ENGLAND.

My dear Mr. Ross:-

I have just returned from trying to see you and Mrs. Ross off at the steamer, but was too late. Mrs.Speer and I spent the night at Mr.Kennedy's, and I was unable to get away in time this morning to reach you. I wanted to say good-bye to you both in behalf of Mrs. Speer and myself, and to thank Mrs. Ross in Mrs.Speer's behalf for the delightful letter which Mrs.Speer received from her.

I was sorry not to have a chance to speak to [illegible] last evening, also, but was glad that Mr.. Brinckerhoff had an opportunity to do.

I trust that the photographs and other information sent to [illegible] reached you, and I hope that you will let us know if there is any [illegible] we could supply. [illegible] hope and prayer word from you. I know how hard it will be to settle the question, especially when Mrs.Ross considers abandoning the old [illegible] children to American, but I know that you will be guided; and while we have our [illegible] desires, [illegible] patiently the ordering of God.

[illegible] warm regard to you both,

[illegible]

April 6th, 1909.

Mrs. John Sinclair,

16 East 66th Street,

New York City.

My dear Mrs. Sinclair:

I am very glad of the opportunity of sending a letter for Mr. and Mrs. Ross for the steamer. I really feel some encouragement to hope that they may come to us at Englewood.

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

April 6th, 1900.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Ross:

Mrs. Sinclair has been good enough to let me share in contributing to the little bundle of steamer letters.

It has been a great joy to have you over in our country, and to see a little more of you than I saw at Northfield. Mrs. Speer and I are boldly hoping now, however, that in God's plan for you and for us we may have you where we shall see you always.

I trust that you will forgive us for having rushed great problems on you so precipitately, but a great need and a great desire will, I know, be our sufficient excuse.

We look back happily to the few hours we had you in our own home, and only wish we might have claimed you for some quite hours alone to ourselves. May God bless you both and give you a safe and quiet voyage home and guide you, with your children, if it be His will, to make your home and find your work among us.

With ever warm regard to you both, I am

Your sincere friend,

To Rev. Levi Johnson,

Pendleton, Oregon.

My dear Brother Levi:

I enclose, herewith, fifty cents in stamps, covering five shares in the team and wagon, - one for each one of our little family circle - and I enclose, also, a check for $10, covering one hundred more shares, but this is from a little fund which was given me by a friend, which I was to use in such good ways as might offer themselves. I don't know anything better than a little bit of help to you in your good work. I often think of you and wish I might see you again, but that will not be for a long time, I am afraid, as I am going off to South America in a few weeks, to be gone until the end of October.

With kind regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

Enclosures.

April 6th, 1908.

Mr. Lansing G. Westmore,

Rochester, New York.

My dear Mr. Westmore:

I wish I could accept your kind invitation to be present, but I expect to leave for South America the first week in May to be gone for six months. It would be a joy to come back to the warm welcome of the Brick Church people if I were to be here in this country.

Very cordially yours,

April 8th, 1[illegible].

The Rev. Theraton A. Mills, PH.D.,

[illegible] Wendell Avenue,

Schnectady, New York.

My dear Dr. Mills:

Your kind note of April 6th is received.

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to come for the Retreat in October, nor I fear, for November. I expect to leave the first week in May for South America, to be gone until the end of October, and then I have to be gone for January and February in Portland, so that November and [illegible] will be crowded full of work here, overtaking the accumulated correspondence and arranging for a future absence. I wish I could come. I look [illegible] to the meeting at Lake Winnepesaukee, and would be glad to meet [illegible] with you in a similar conference in our own [illegible].

With kind regards to Mrs. Mills and yourself, I am

Very cordially yours,

April 11th, [illegible].

The Rev. H.A.Bridgeman,

THE CONGREGATIONALIST,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Bridgeman:

Your kind note of April 3rd, [illegible] for $10.00 for my articles for the CONGREGATIONALIST, has been received. I am very much obliged for your generous promptness, and with kind regards I am

Very sincerely yours,

Colonel Alfred M. Stearns,

Andover, Mass.

My dear Al:

Your good note of yesterday is just received. I have promised to speak at Exeter on Saturday evening, coming down from there on the train which leaves, I believe, between half past seven and eight, so that I shall expect to turn up at your house at about nine o'clock. I shall have to take the midnight train from Boston because of appointments in N. New York on Monday. I wish I could have more time, but I am glad to have even one day with you and Mrs. Stearns.

With kind regards to her, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

April 9th, 1909.

Mr. Alba V. Johnson,

Rosemont, PA.

My dear Mr. Johnson:

Your very kind letter of April 4th has been received. My reply was to the end that I might be able to advise Mr. [illegible] justly if he asked my opinion, and I wanted to be able to assure him that he need have no occasion to hesitate about going to [illegible] on the ground of any fancied influence controlled in the Church by a few specially influential individuals. I was sure that the situation was just as you described it, but I wanted to be in a position to speak positively to Mr. Ross. I did not have Mr. Converse and me in mind in my writing, however, as you point out in your letter, that there were other strong men in the Church also.

I have been glad to do whatever I could for the Bryn Mawr [illegible], as they have time that I was thrown into a position of responsibility in connection with our own Church in Englewood. I have explained matters fully to Mr. Pierce, and I shall venture to enclose, herewith, a copy of a letter which I have just written to him.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure.

April 9th, 190 .

[illegible] Pierce,

Haverford, Pa.

My dear Mr. Pierce:

I was sorry not to be able to talk longer with you over the telephone this morning, but I had to come out from a large and important Committee Meeting where some resolutions which I had offered were pending.

After our telephone conversation last Saturday evening, I reported what you said to our Church Committee, and we felt that any hope of our getting Mr. Ross was gone and made up our minds to acquiesce cheerfully and to rejoice with you in case you should succeed, and any of us who might have any influence with Mr. Ross would be prepared to do all we could to help you. About thirty of our people went to New York on Sunday afternoon to hear Dr. [illegible], however, and were deeply impressed, some of them coming home so enthusiastic that they were prepared to do anything whatever to secure Mr. Ross. But our Committee, of course, was unwilling to anything whatever in a competitive spirit.

As I told you, a Committee of three was appointed to see Mr. Ross and to ascertain his mind, with the understanding that if the impression which you had received was correct, we would at once drop further consideration of the matter. Before we could see him, however, he called me up on the telephone Monday morning, and I [illegible] with him, Ross to my office and we had a talk together. I [illegible] from the conversation that you were [illegible] in thinking that he had [illegible] decided against Montreal, but incorrect in thinking that he was inclining toward Bryn Mawr. The pressure of the [illegible] work which has almost crushed him and Mrs. Ross in Cambridge he [illegible] to be relieved by going to Bryn Mawr. He thinks, moreover,

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from the expense to which you would be put in the re-equipment of the house, and I think he was not a little appalled by the expense of education, as developed in his enquiries in Bryn Mawr and Haverford.

After our conversation I took Mr. Ross along downtown to meet the two other members of the Committee, and we had a long talk with him, the upshot of which was - although I, too, may err in interpreting the auguries - that Mr. Ross was in great doubt as to whether he ought to try to transplant himself, but that if he did decide to do so, our Church in Englewood seemed to offer the [illegible] situation which would be most attractive to him. He was to cable us by April 25th as to whether or not he would be prepared to consider a formal call to our Church, and suggested that we should not have a congregational meeting until we heard from him.

Mr. Schenck has since received a letter written on the eve of his sailing, which I think I had better quote for your information:

"On the eve of sailing - it is near midnight & I we have had a fully occupied day, and we sail in the morning. I write to say that you must allow me to adopt a third alternative cable; viz. 'WRITING'. (You remember the other two cables were 'IMPOSSIBLE' and 'COMING.'

"The proposal that I should assume the pastorate at Englewood has been thrust upon me here with very great kindness and generous urgency, but there has been an inevitable haste which I deeply regret. The result of this is that I do not feel I have fully explained to the officers of the congregation my own position, and I should like to do this more fully before they commit themselves to a recommendation of my name to the congregation. I also feel that the haste (for which I am not responsible) may possibly be construed as scarcely fair to those of the people who have neither seen nor heard me, and I desire to make it clear that I sympathize with this feeling. I find myself extremely reluctant to thrust myself upon a people who have not had full opportunity to consider any call I may have upon their confidence. This is, I judge, all the more necessary in the case of a congregation where already a former minister proved himself unworthy of confidence.

"I think then that when I have had time to roll things over in my mind, it is quite possible that I may come to feel that some sort of extended message may have to pass from me to the committee of, and if they approve, to the congregation, before the congregation proceeds further; hence, I want to be sure that we understand one another if I cable 'WRITING.'

You ought to have the letter before the 25th of April.

"With kind regards, etc."

This is where the matter stands at present, and we shall rejoice if he decides to come to Englewood, although I shall lament your failure to

[illegible] Bryn Mawr, [illegible]

[illegible] hence the students [illegible]

[illegible] kind regards to Mrs Lewis and the [illegible]

Very cordially yours,

April [illegible], [illegible].

The Rev. S.M.Hamilton, D.D.,
Hendrik Hudson Apartments,
Riverside Drive & [illegible] Street,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Hamilton:

You have heard that we have been thinking in our Church in Englewood of the possibility of getting Mr. Jowett here. We seemed really favorably disposed while he was here, and Mrs. [illegible] the understanding that he would cable us before the 15th as to whether he would be prepared to consider a call or not. I know the main question with him will be as to the wisdom of his transplanting himself from England to America, but of course doubtless other questions will enter in also. But whatever his problems, I do not think that anything could help him more than a letter from you, if you should feel free to write to him, both on the question of his coming to America and in behalf of his coming to us in Englewood, if he decides to come. We and Mrs. Rees feel that they must get away from the student community, where they have been besieged and overrun, as they have been at Cambridge, and they do not want to go to a city church, and it has seemed to us that Englewood was as near the kind of what they have thought of as could be found. I know that you will be glad to help us in any way that you can.

I was in Toronto last week and was delighted to see Mr. and Mrs. Wainwright, and was only sorry that the brevity of my stay and a number of engagements made it impossible for me to accept their invitation to stay with them.

With kind regards to Mrs. Hamilton and the boys, I am

Very affectionately yours,

April 19, 1909.

Mr. Charles G. Trumbull,
1931 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie:

Emma and I are delighted to know that you and Aline can come over. Thursday, April 22nd, is one of the days you speak of [illegible] arisen to make that inconvenient for you. I don't know whether I shall be in New York that day, but if I am we might arrange to go out on the same train. If not, I will be home and we shall be [illegible] 5.07 and 5.22. If I am here I will probably be taking the 5.07 and will meet you on the boat in case you should take that train. If I am not here, there will be carriages at the station in Englewood, any one of which will bring you right up to our house, but there will be ample time for you to let us know what train you will probably be [illegible] pleasure to think of having you again in our own home.

With warm regards, I am

Always affectionately yours,

P.S. [illegible] more Young People's topics.

April [illegible], [illegible].

President Isaac C. Kettler,

Grove City, Pa.

My dear President Kettler:

Your kind note of April 1st has been received.

I should be glad to accept your invitation if I could do so, but I expect to leave for South America on a visit to our missions there [illegible] May, and to return about the end of October. I think among the best missionaries you could get would be the Rev. F.F.Bible of China; the Rev. W.T.Griswold, Ph.D. of India; and the Rev. F.P.Dunlap, D.D. of [illegible]. Mr. Bible's address is at present Clifton Springs, New York, and Dr. Dunlap's is 421 Newell Avenue, Mahonington, Pa. Mr. Griswold is on his way home from India and will not arrive until Summer time.

Please let me know if I can be of any further help to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Phillips Academy,

My dear Mr. Torrey:

I have not been able to answer earlier your note of the second from Providence, but I shall be glad to speak at the meeting of the Society of Enquiry on the evening of April 11th.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible],

270 Broadway,

New York City.

My dear Mr. [illegible]:

Your very kind note of April 3rd is received.

I wish I could accept your invitation for September 5th, but I expect to leave next month for South America on a visit to our Missions there, and do not expect to return until the end of October.

Thanking you for your invitation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Austin, Jan.

[illegible],

[illegible] Avenue,

New York City.

[illegible]:

[illegible] am not going to be in the city on Tuesday or Friday, [illegible] and Wed., and we could not be sure to have [illegible] meeting of the Board of Managers unless my plans are changed.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible] S. [illegible]

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April 10th, 1909.

The Rev. J. E. Kittridge,D.D.,

1 Arlington St., Rochester, N.Y.

Mr.Speer has written very sorry impossible to come.

M. Higbie.

My dear Mr. Moody:

I wish that Mrs. Speer and I might accept your kind invitation for the Mt. Vernon Commencement, but we both have other engagements which will make it impossible for us to have the pleasure of coming. It would be a great joy to us to come if it were possible.

Very cordially yours,

Mr. J. Campbell White,

[illegible] Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Mr.

I am sorry that I shall be [illegible] from tomorrow and unable to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement. I expect to be away for the next six months, as you know, South America, and then shortly after getting back must leave for Scotland to spend January and February there, and then I shall probably have to go back to Scotland in June. In view of all these absences, I have wondered whether it might not be better for me to withdraw, at least for the present, from the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement, and that you suggest on someone who will be here and able to render active service. Will you kindly state the matter to the Committee for me in such a way as to make the Committee entirely free to take its course?

April 13th, 1907.

Mr. James Hamilton Davison,

93 Water Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Davison:

I have all the Sundays of June and July provided for, [illegible] in August. I hope, however, to have the others all filled in a few days. The present arrangements for May are:

May 5th - The Rev. James McLeod, D.D. of Cape May.
May 12th - President J.M.Thomas of Middlebury College, Vt.
May 19th - The Rev. [illegible], D.D.

As I have said, I shall hope to have the three remaining Sundays filled within a few days, and shall then send you a list for the entire Summer.

Very cordially yours,

April 10th, 1909.

Miss Susan M. Mapes,

1031 Walnut St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Miss Mapes:-

I have returned the proof of the article on "Paul the Pharisee."

I am sorry for the mistakes as to the references and am grateful to you for having caught them. I also prefer to use the American Revision, but we have not had any copies of it in my office so that the quotations usually are made from the King James Version. I must get some copies of the American Revision, however, so that we can have more trouble hereafter in the matter of quotations.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 18th, 1909.

Miss Mary C. Speer,

Huntingdon,

Pa.

My dear Mary:-

I was glad to get your good letter yesterday.

I thought I had written, in my previous letter, definitely of my plans. I expect to sail on May 7th, reaching Buenos Ayres about May 17th, spending three or four weeks visiting our Mission stations there, and then returning to Edinburgh in time for the [illegible]. I shall be in Rio and Montevideo during the latter part of June and most of July, leaving Rio the end of July for the Argentine. I do not know whether I shall be able to go overland from Buenos Aires to Chile, or shall have to go around by the Straits of Magellan, but I hope to be in Chile for the most of August, and the first of September, reaching Panama about the 3rd. Then, I shall return to Barranquilla and Colombia for a few days and return from there to New York. I shall write out an itinerary before I leave and shall send you a copy of it, although it will probably be modified in some particulars.

A cousin of Emma's, who is a graduate of Princeton and now a medical student in the University of Pennsylvania, is going with me. Mr. Dwight H. Good, of Huntingdon, a lovely boy, and we expect to have very happy times together. I am sorry that this makes me miss the gathering at Huntingdon, but I shall be glad to see, to which I had looked forward with a good deal of pleasure.

There are many things I have wanting things to say

Miss Spoor—2.

for leaving and by'm by to clear [illegible] to leave no loose ends.

Will you please tell Uncle Stewart and Aunt Clara about my plans? I shall write again before I go, and, with a great deal of love to you all,

Your affectionate brother,

Dictated April 9th.

April 12th, 1909.

The Rev. Wilson Aull,

[illegible],

Mich.

My dear Mr. Aull:-

Your letter of March 26th, with its enclosure, has [illegible]. Our Church has already made overtures to a minister [illegible] of our congregation, and we hope that he will accept.

[illegible]

[illegible] Charles A. Erdman, of Princeton. [illegible] at present in Germantown,- the Oddsen Church. Perhaps I might be [illegible]. If you could, although many of your friends in Philadelphia, yet as frequently is known there, I think it would be well to do so.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 17th, 1903.

Mr. Charles A. Woods,
[illegible] Building Annex,
Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Woods:-

Your good letter of April 1st has been received.

[illegible] I would suggest as a man worth your consideration, the Rev. George A. Gillespie, of Uniontown, Pa., who was in my class in college. [illegible] used to be pastor of the East Liberty Church and was then secretary of our board. Gillespie is a fine fellow, who has done a good work and has a splendid church where he is. He has just lost an eleven-year-old boy, so that his heart is very tender now. I don't know whether the boy's death in Uniontown will [illegible] the class, to diagnose them to be ready for another change. He has been in Uniontown for nine years.

The Rev. J. Ramsey Smith, of the Woodland Presbyterian Church, [illegible], must have been in college about your time. I understand he has done excellent work in his two churches at Flushing and [illegible]. [illegible], who was in my class in college, has presented

Mr.Woods--?.

his name cordially for our church here.

The Rev. W. A. Robinson, now in the Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, has had a good record. He was '98 in college. After going to Syracuse, he came to Philadelphia to succeed Dr. Jefferson, who took the Secretaryship of the College Board. Robinson is a straightforward, solid man. Without his knowing it, I have had an inside view of two of the things regarding him which have had weight to his credit.

I have the misfortune of never hearing one preach, so that I do not know enough by hearsay how good preachers these men are, and I very well know from our own experience how much depends on the man's type and temperamental fitness for a pulpit as to whether one is favorably impressed by him.

A very wise one of our committee once said, speaking to me of one [illegible] to be called to go forward with the matter, was the Rev. Murray Shipley Howland, of Syracuse.

I shall be very glad to know whom you finally find.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 9th.

Mr. W. C. Fowler,

[illegible] Frankford Ave.,

Holmesburg, Philadelphia.

My dear Mr. Fowler:-

I suppose I ought to identify and know Mr. Murray, of whom you write, but I am sorry I cannot give you information regarding his relation to the Holmesburg church.

Very sincerely yours,

Inclosed April 9th.

April 15th, 1908.

Mr. Edward C. Jenkins,
124 East 28th St.,
New York City.

My dear Jenkins:-

I have no objection whatever to your having used the article which I wrote for the Student Recruits Movement in THE STUDENT WORLD. I had wondered what had become of that movement and of my article. I am glad to know that the Movement has been absorbed in the Association.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 15th, 1909.

The Rev. William S. Steen, D.D.,
Presbyterian Hospital,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Steen:-

I am very grateful to you and Mrs.Steen for the copy of Robert's sermons. Mrs.Speer and I were looking them over last evening, and she had never had the pleasure of meeting him and was greatly impressed by the portrait and raised the solemn query as to the mystery of that providence which takes away from us lives which seem to us most indispensable here. I shall look forward with pleasure to reading more of the sermons, and, with sincere regard, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 13th, 1909.

Miss Mary Breese Fuller,

Smith College,

Northampton, MASS.

My dear Mary:-

I am very much obliged for your kind letter of April 7th, received yesterday.

What you wrote us before regarding Mr.Cleaveland made a deep impression. The Chairman of our Committee has spoken of it more than once, and the matter of age would not to many of us be any barrier at all--indeed, many of our people prefer an older minister; but in calling a new minister there is a strong feeling that he could not to be an old man in ten or fifteen years he would be weakening. We want a man whom we can keep. My own belief is in very long pastorates, and I trust that the minister we get may be one who will stay with us for his lifetime and ours.

I brought Mr.Cleaveland's name before the Bridgeport Church sometime ago, and I am writing now to the church at Overbrook, near Philadelphia, regarding him, and to the Madison Avenue Church of Albany.

I hope that you are well, and that you won't overdo this spring.

I don't know whether you have heard of our plans for the summer, which are very different from what we had anticipated. I am expecting to sail the first week in May for South America, to be gone for six months, and Mrs. and the children will be over at Bar Harbor, Me., after they leave

Miss Millard,

home.

With much love from us all,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated April 9th.

April 15th, 1[illegible].

Mr. John L. Scribner,

Witherspoon Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Scribner:-

I enclose herewith a package of letters which came to me the other day from the Rev. [illegible] Hall, whom I know in Boston some years ago. In case you decide not to follow up the suggestion I made regarding [illegible], although I hope you will follow that up, you might care to make use of these papers.

I would like to suggest also the name of the Rev. A. W. Cleaveland, of Fredonia, N. Y. I have learned of Mr. Cleaveland through a friend who is a teacher in Smith College at Northampton, whose home was at Fredonia. She speaks in the highest terms of him, and what I have heard of him has given me a very special interest in him, although I have never heard him preach, of course, and have no immediate knowledge, but I think it would be well worth your while looking him up. If you care to write to my friend, her name is Miss Mary Frances Miller, Smith College, Northampton, Mass.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 5th, 1916.

Mr. [illegible] Fairbridge,

[illegible] Park,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Fairbridge:-

I [illegible]

April 5th, and for the copy of your attractive little book, which I shall look over with the greatest interest. I hope I can find some points in it. [illegible] I shall expect to increase my surplus. Mrs. Speer, also, was interested in the book when she saw it yesterday. I trust it may be on a very useful mission.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 5th.

April 13th, 1904.

The Rev. George Granville Merrill,

214 Porter Ave.,

Buffalo, New York.

My dear George:-

After dictating a reply to your other note, in which you held out some hope that you could come down for the Monday after Easter, I was sorry to get your [illegible], saying that you feared you would not be able to come. I had hoped surely that you could be here.

There is to be a public dinner in town that night, at which I promised to speak, but you could have gone there with me and we could have sat together with Miller. I am afraid, if you do not get down this month sometime, that it will be a long time before I see you again, as I am expecting to leave for South America the first week in May, to be gone until the end of October, visiting our Missions in Brazil and Chile and the Republic of Colombia. I hope that you and Mrs. Merrill are both well, and am sorry that I never get to Buffalo, when I would surely take time to see you if I could. I hope that you will be down in the city some time this month, and that at the least we could have luncheon together.

With warmest love,

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 13th, 1909.

The Rev. W. Y. Chapman, D.D.,
215 Rose'le Ave.,
Newark, N. J.

My dear Dr. Chapman.-

We have supplies already arranged for our Englewood Church for both May 2nd and 9th.

I am sorry that we cannot help in the matter of Professor Buck's attendance at the January Commencement? Perhaps you could arrange it with the Rutherford Church or with the Oakland Church in Germantown.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 9th.

April 14th, 1903.

The Rev. Edward G. Read, D.D.,
825 Second Place,
Plainfield, N.J.

My dear Dr. Read:

Having in mind your kind note of last February as to the possibility of your giving some help in the supply of our pulpit in Englewood, I write to ask whether you could supply for us on Sunday, August 22nd.

Very cordially yours,

April 14th, 1909.

The Rev. Daniel H. Martin, D.D.,

Glens Falls, New York.

My dear Dr. Martin:

As you may know, we are still without a pastor in our Englewood Church, and are obliged to supply the pulpit from Sunday to Sunday. In behalf of the Supply Committee, I write to ask whether you could supply for us on Sunday, May 23rd. If you are able to do so, Mr. Stewart Lyman desires to have you as his guest.

Very cordially yours,

April 14th, 1909.

The Rev. W.B.Jennings, D.D.,

6012 Green Street,

Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Jennings:

We are just completing now our list of [illegible], and having received your note of last January 28th, I write to ask whether you can supply your exhibit for Tuesday, August 15th.

Very cordially yours,

April 14th, 1909.

Mrs. J.W. Doughty,

343 East 226th Street,

Williamsbridge, New York.

My dear Mrs. Doughty:

I received yesterday your note of April 8th, and wish that I could be of help to you and Mr. Doughty in this time of need. I do sympathize deeply with you both and trust that brighter days may brighter soon, but I am quite at a loss to help in the way that you suggest. Could not Mr. Doughty arrange the matter with Mr. Gillies ? I should think, in view of the property in Columbus, it might be possible to arrange it on a cash basis between yours and Mr. Gillies's which would not embarrass either Mr. Doughty or Mr. Gillies.

I do hope that ways may open for work that will bring in all that you need, although as I told Mr. Doughty, I think it is very precarious to risk everything on the lecture platform. That is very well as an incidental help, but it ought not to be made the main [illegible].

With kind regards to you both, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 13th.

April 14th, 1909.

Mr. Joseph T. Cook,

3702 Locust Street,

Philadelphia, PA.

My dear Joe:

I have been away considerably, or should have answered earlier your letter.

We should be delighted to have you Friday night. I would be in either would prefer to five, and I hope you will either meet me [illegible] at the West 23rd Street Ferry of the Erie Railroad, [illegible] the Pennsylvania 23rd Street Ferry. I might like the 5:00, leaving the Erie Ferry at seven minutes past five (5.7)

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated April 13th.

Mr. George M. Taylor,

My dear Mr. Taylor:

I have already sent to Mr. Davison the list of supplies for May, as far as they have been definitely arranged. All the Sundays are provided for except May 22nd. The arrangements for the month are as follows:

May 16th. - The Rev. James Whitehead, D.D. of Cape May.
May 16th. - The Rev. Stanley White, D.D.
May 30th - President [illegible] of Middlebury College.

I expect to hear within a few days about May 23rd. All the other Sundays are arranged for until September, with the exception of August 15th and 22nd, and I shall hope to hear regarding them, also, within the next week. As soon as I hear definitely I will send you and Mr. Davison a list of all the arrangements until the first of September.

April 14th, 1891.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor:

I am hoping to bring Elliott over with me this coming Saturday. If it is a fair day we shall get off early and go to Valley Forge, and come up to Pottstown in the afternoon.

Ever affectionately yours,

April 18th, 1904.

Mr. Eugene C. Foster,

1031 Walnut St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Foster:-

Your note of yesterday, with reference to the use of the articles on PAUL in a little book has been received.

I [illegible] but every hour is crowded these days, and I don't know how soon I shall be able to take it up with them.

Very cordially yours,

April 15th, 1909.

Mr. Howard Arnold Walter,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mr. Walter:

I enclose, herewith, a receipt for the kind remittance in your note of April 8th, covering my traveling expenses to the [illegible]. It was very thoughtful of you to provide the [illegible], I very much appreciate your attending to the matter, and am only sorry that I could not stay for the final sessions of the meeting.

I wish you would let me revise the stenographic report of my address. I spoke in the freedom of such a little private conference, and while I have no objection to your using any one of the address that you think best, I think I ought to revise it first. Could you send it to me address a few days, as I am expecting to leave to [illegible] the fourth instant, so be good for all concerned.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible]

April [illegible], 1[illegible].

[illegible],

1051 Walnut Street,

[illegible], Pa.

[illegible]:

[illegible] letter of April 7th and the [illegible] announcing the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sunday Times Company [illegible]. I should be glad to attend the annual meeting if I could, but [illegible] for that day, and I always find that I am there in the interest of you and Mr. [illegible].

[illegible] to see it, [illegible] to go my way to Baltimore, reaching the [illegible] at [illegible]. I had thought of [illegible] Times article in a book, combining with [illegible] articles I wrote for the Times several years ago, and [illegible] several more articles. [illegible] to my mind, I thought of publishing [illegible] which would [illegible] 'Men and Principles,' [illegible] might be [illegible] Times [illegible] articles by [illegible], [illegible] would run, I think, a [illegible] 12,000 words.

[illegible] prepare all reference to [illegible] the articles entirely satisfactory.

[illegible] forward with much pleasure to [illegible] Tuesday, April 22nd.

Very affectionately yours,

Victor, April 17th.

April 14th, 1909.

The Fleming H. Revell Company,

158 Fifth Avenue,

New York.

Dear Sirs:

I have seen notices of a little book by the Rev. [illegible] Dyer [illegible] relate Paul's [illegible] views on [illegible] especi[illegible] [illegible] of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of Christian love to non-Christian religions. Do you know the name of this book, and could you get it for me before May 1st?

[illegible]

April 15th, 1902.

Princeton Club,

Gramercy Park, North,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

I believe among my bills from the Club, the enclosed, which is correct as to the number of luncheons and the charge per month, but seems to be incorrect as to the total amount. Is there an error, or was there some additional charge?

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

April 14th, 1909.

Mr. H. C. Coleman,

Norristown,

Pa.

My dear Horace:-

I think the Deacon is doing very well now.

I have seen him a number of times, and he has been out for two days with me. [illegible] is now here, very much happier and more encouraged. He started from the [illegible], thought, is working steadily in the basement where he is now, during the spring and summer, partly because the rent rate bills him and partly because he likes it more here. He is sticking loyally to his job, however, but I wish very much that we could get him something out of doors and especially out of here [illegible] city smells which I still [illegible]. Do you think there will be any possibility of his getting in the [illegible] mills in Norristown? At any rate, I shall [illegible] to some friends who I know in Norristown, and see whether they could get a job for him. I know a number of men there who would be glad to have an interest in [illegible] and he [illegible].

Emma and I are expecting to go down on Wednesday. I don't know yet just what train, or whether I shall have to take [illegible] after the meeting on the eighth instant. I can imagine how full these days are of happiness, and happiness which is only the beginning of ever greater happiness all the days.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated April 9th.

[illegible], Jan. .

Miss Knapp,

St. Luke's Wednesday Home,

[illegible] E. 17th St., CITY.

My dear Miss Knapp:-

I would not have you think that I had forgotten your good invitation to come down for one of the little noon-day services this spring, but it has been impossible for me to arrange it. The [illegible] of the Board that I should visit the Missions in each Avenue this year, leaving the first week in May, has made it necessary [illegible] my trips into these weeks that otherwise would [illegible] the spring, and I have not been able to suggest any day when I could come down. Perhaps, when I get back next fall, I can [illegible], and I need not tell you that I shall be very happy [illegible] when I can.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible].

April 14th, 1909.

Mr. A.R.Gulick,

Princeton Club,

Gramercy Park, North, N.Y.

My dear Alex:

I am grateful for your note of reminder of the Alumni Dinner on April 26th. I wish I could be present, but I am expecting to leave for South America in about three weeks to be gone for six months, and every day and evening is already engaged until I get off.

Very cordially yours,

Pond Hill, Inc.

Mr. N.M.Dodd,

Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Dodd:

We have received your note of April 1st with the two generous contributions, and appreciate the thoughtful way in which you are handling the matter of the expenses of the canvass.

I trust that Mr. Neville and wife are enjoying a good deal of interest in the lower rock.

Very sincerely yours,

April 14th, 1871.

Mr. T.L.Richards,

William Whiting,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Richards:

I am very grateful for "The Song of the Shepherd." Mrs. Tyler and I were very much impressed by the other inside poem which you sent us some time ago, and I brought this one home to her, also, and she is delighted, as I am, to have it.

Very cordially yours,

April 14th, 1909.

Mr. W.C.Pearce,

805 Hartford Building,

104 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Pearce:

Your kind note of April 8th is received. I wish I could accept your invitation to speak at the Conference at Winona on August 17th, but I am leaving the first week in May for a six months' visit to our Missions in South America and shall not be back until the end of October.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible], 19[illegible].

[illegible],

23 Lane Street,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Miss Bradley:

I have been away a great deal or would have answered earlier your note of March 5th regarding the proposed Englewood High School Fair. I am sorry to say that I am not interested in contributing through a Fair, but if you will kindly let me know just what it is that you are raising money for, I shall be glad to contribute, if I can, directly to the object which you have in view.

Very sincerely yours,

April [illegible], [illegible].

Mr. T.T.Hazelwood,

The Arcadia,

Broadway & 29th Street, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hazelwood:

I was glad to receive, at Andover, your kind letter of April 7th, and to have a chance for just a few words with you and other old friends, I take it. I was glad to see you [illegible] evening after the meeting of the Society of Pioneers, but I do not think he was present then. At any rate, I did not see him.

I hope that everything may come to him that you so [illegible], and I am sure that it is one of the true servants.

Very cordially yours,

April 14th, 1926.

Dr. William L. Borst,

Changteh, Hunan,

China.

My dear Dr. Borst:

Mr. [illegible] has written you in behalf of all of us expressing our deep and loving sympathy with you in the great sorrow which has befallen you. It is one of those sorrows which no words are adequate to measure, and which no one can explain to us. All that we can do is just to be silent and trust the love in which we rest, though its ways are past our finding out. I know that your heart knows little comfort, and that hard as your trouble and suffering are, you are able to trust and be still. I do pray that God may Himself sustain you and give you the fulness of His grace.

Your sincere friend,

Dictated April 13th.

April 14th, 1909.

The Rev. John Henry Lee,

[illegible], Philadelphia.

Pa.

My dear Mr. Lee:

Your good letter of April 7th has been received. I wish it were possible to arrange definitely now for a series of lectures in November or January, but I do not expect to get back until the end of October, and I must leave our Fire, when in January for Scotland to be gone for two months, delivering lectures under the Duff Foundation and participating in the final arrangements for the World's Missionary Conference to be held in Edinburgh in June, 1910. Having only the two months of November and December here, after a six months' absence, I fear me to take on the number of engagements that would be involved in this lecture course. I shall be glad to look forward to giving the lectures some time in the future, however. Perhaps that will be in the Spring of 1910.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

"Walworth Institute, Coos Co.,

"...

My dear Owen:

I am sorry to have to say that I am not going to get a [illegible] see you this coming [illegible]. [illegible] sailing the 5th of May and not returning until the end of October. This will be the first Summer for many years that I shall not be by your Fireside, and it doesn't make me happy to think of losing that good [illegible]. [illegible], as we [illegible] sitting on the porch and seeing you come from the barn. I will be way down in Brazil or Chili when Mr. Stone drops in on you this August. I hope you will think of me as you sit by the fire and tell the old yarns. I will try to pick up some in South America to bring back in the Summer of 1910.

Give my kind regards to Mrs. Crimmins and the girls, and for the sake of old times sit down and read the Bible with them when you can, and think of the good Saviour Who loves us and Who will keep us [illegible] at all [illegible]. I shall think of you often when I am far away, and I am always

April 14th, 1909.

Mr. Charles Cahill,

℅ Mr. Perrault,

143 West 16th Street, N.Y.

My dear Old Deacon:

I was delighted to get your note of the 8th, and shall try to see you some time this week. I am going down to Baltimore to-morrow to [illegible], which is to be the general. We will try to see that it is done up in fine and permanent shape.

I have written to Horace about the possibility of work over in Pottstown this Summer, and if he doesn't know of anything there, I shall write to one or two friends there. It isn't the best of [illegible], but there is a great deal of goodness in it, and [illegible] men.

I have been all around since I saw you last, - in Canada and Massachusetts and New Hampshire - and I have found it almost impossible to shut down on it all so as to have these last days at home. But I have, I think, only two more trips away. The time is drawing terribly near, however, and I don't [illegible] to go away and leave all the dear ones and you, but God will keep us all and help us to see and do as He wills.

With much love,

Always your friend,

Dictated April 13th.

April 10th, 1903.

Mr. James P. Thorpe,
10. Colorado Building,
Denver, Colo.

Mydear Old Jim:

It warmed my heart clear down to the roots to get your good letter of the 7th, and while it I were going out to Denver I presume one of my two cousins would want me to stay with him, yet I should certainly want to see as much as possible of you, and nothing would please me better than good trips up to the mountains with moderate fishing was possible at that season. But alas! I am not to come to Denver at all. Our Board will be represented there by others of its officers, and I am going off on the first week in May to South Dakota, on Mission work there, and shall not get back until the end of October. This is going to make me miss the Class Reunion, too, which is a matter of no small regret, as you will believe, but such has it to be and we can only go forward with it cheerfully. Some time in the future I shall hope to be getting out to Denver, and at a season of the year when I can get in some fishing and hunting in the mountains.

With ever warm regard, I am

Your sincere Friend,

Directed April 11th.

April 17th, 1911.

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[illegible]

Dear Miss [illegible]:

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation for June 16th. I expect to sail for Europe the last week in May and shall not be back until October.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

The Rev. James S. Riggs, D.D.,

Auburn, New York.

My dear Dr. Riggs:

[illegible] you with us this coming Sunday. I believe that Mrs. Booth is expecting you to stay with her, though Mr. Dulles and others have been anxious that they might have this privilege.

Very cordially yours,

April [illegible], 1916.

The Rev. W. Douglas Mackenzie, D.D.,
Hartford Theological Seminary,
Hartford, CONN.

My dear Dr. Mackenzie:

I am very sorry for the misunderstanding regarding the date of your coming to Englewood. Any responsibility for confusion in the matter I must take entirely on my own shoulders. You are quite right that in your letter of February 4th you spoke of coming for April 25th, but all the while my thought has been on April 10th. I can only apologize very humbly to the Church for the trouble which [illegible] by my [illegible], and to you for any disarrangement of your plans. Dr. Riggs of Auburn has been down on my list for next Sunday and I think there is no confusion about that date. I can, accordingly, only ask you to forgive me and to express the hope that we may be able to have you at some other time.

Very faithfully yours,

April [illegible],

Mr. Barney Carr,

Colebrook, N.H.

Dear Mr. Carr:

I think Mrs. Speer has written to Alice something of our Summer plans, but I cannot think of going away without writing to you to explain why we shan't be seeing you this Summer, and how sorry we are that it is to be so. I have to go off to South America on May 5th to visit Brazil and Chili and Panama and Colombia, and shan't get back until the end of October. Mrs. Speer and the children will go over into Pennsylvania to spend the Summer with her mother and brothers. This is the first time for eight years, I think, that we shan't have seen the Carr family in the Summer time, and it doesn't seem right. You know what a warm heart of love the Speer family as for all of you. It makes the whole year brighter and happier for us when we have [illegible] enjoyment which you have always shown for us. We look for and to renewing the good old times in the Summer of 1910.

I learn from Alice's letter to Mrs. Speer that Mrs. [illegible] had a very hard Winter. I hope that her stay in the hospital has been a great benefit to her, and that in the Summer she may be better than for years. I have learned, also, that you are all in a new home now. I wish I knew where it was, but next year we shall come and see it.

Ned Sayen that if she doesn't look out I will be able to beat her without that knee bar that I had to use the last time. I have gained

M. [illegible]

to our lodge now, too, but I guess Will is about my size. I don't believe I could enter with Joe. He has got a little [illegible] of a start in a round-about direction.

I am going down to-morrow to Baltimore to Mr. Coleman's wedding. Mr. Clark is to officiate, and we will do our best to see that it is done up in proper style. I hope this good example of Mr. Coleman's will stir up Will and Ed. I believe Alice has gotten so used to saying "No," that there is no chance of her saying "Yes."

Willie, and Margaret and the Baby are growing up very fast. The Baby had a bad time with whooping-cough this Winter, but she is looking now and the color is back in her cheeks. She trots around in a very queer, contented way. She'll come and see you, I hope, in August, 1880, unless we all are abroad that Summer, as I find I shall have to be in Portland next month in January and February of next Winter, I am also in

I shall be often thinking of you this Summer, and hoping and praying that God may be keeping you all in health and strength always.

With a great deal of love from us all, I am,

Your sincere friend,

April 13th, 1909.

The Rev. J.E.Kittredge,D .D.,

1 Arlington Street,

Rochester, New York.

My dear Dr. Kittredge:

Was Mr. Kittredge, - a missionary for many years in Bombay - a brother of yours, or any relative, and if so can you give me his initials and present address ? I wish to write to him with reference to his reminiscences regarding George Bowen.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], 1908.

[illegible],

Dear Mr. [illegible]:

I have been gathering, for some years, all the material I could find relating to George [illegible] Bridge. I have a complete file of the "Guardian," and all of Bridge's sermons and lectures which were published by the Rev. T. J. McDonald, now Bishop McDonald, who was [illegible] at his death, and I have quite a [illegible] which I have not published. My intention is to write [illegible], and then, your [illegible] and if you did not [illegible] of his character I [illegible] [illegible] would be [illegible], valuable. I [illegible] should be [illegible] and [illegible] that [illegible], and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which you have.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

April 15th, 1909.

The Rev. Justin E. Abbott, D.D.,

Bombay, Tardeo,

India. (Marathi Mission.)

My dear Dr. Abbott:

I have been gathering, for some years, all the material I could for a biography of George Bowen of Bombay. I have a complete file of the "Guardian" and all of Bowen's letters and journals and papers, which were preserved by the Rev. J.F. McDonald, now Bishop [illegible], and I have accumulated a great many reminiscences from those who knew Bowen. Would you not be willing to write down, some time, your recollections of him and your estimate of his character? Any personal incidents [illegible] would be especially valuable. I would be very grateful to you for any help or suggestions that you can give, and especially for any copies of letters of Bowen's which you may have.

I trust that I am not asking too much, and I am sure that you would be glad to help in any way in your power.

Very [illegible],

April 19th, 1909.

The Rev. Edward Fairbanks,

Zadala, INDIA.

(Marathi Mission.)

My dear Mr. Fairbanks:

For a number of years I have been very much interested in the life and character of George Bowen, and have been gathering material for a biography. I have a complete set of the "Guardian" and the letters and papers which came into the hands of Mr. McDonald, and Miss McDonald. I have also a great deal of other correspondence which has been obtained through many friends, and I have been wondering whether you might not have among your father's papers, letters of Bowen's which you might be willing to let me have, either in the originals or in copies. I should be very grateful for any information you have regarding Bowen, and for any suggestions as to biographical material.

Very cordially yours,

April 19th, 1909.

The Rev. W. J. Bruce,

Panchgani, INDIA.

(Marathi Mission)

Dear Mr. Bruce:

I have been gathering, for some years, all the material I could for a biography of George Bowen of Bombay. I have a complete file of the "Guardian" and all of Bowen's letters and journals and papers, which were preserved by the Rev. J. T. McDonald, now Bishop [illegible], [illegible] Bowen's papers [illegible] at his death, and I have accumulated a great many reminiscences from those who knew Bowen. Would you not be willing to write down, some time, your recollections of him and your estimate of his character ? Any personal incidents regarding him would be especially valuable. I should be very grateful to you for any help or suggest ion that you can give, and especially for any copies of letters of Bowen's which you may have.

I trust that I am not asking too much, and have felt sure that you would be glad to help in any way in your power.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible], 1914.

The Rev. T. Trewartha,

[illegible], Iowa.

Dear Mr. Trewartha:

I have been gathering, for some years, all the material I could for a biography of George Bowen of Bombay. I have a complete file of the "Guardian," and all of Bowen's letters and journals and papers, which were preserved by the Rev. J.C. McDonald, now Bishop McDonald, into whose hands Bowen's papers came at his death, and I have accumulated a great many reminiscences from those who knew Bowen. Would you not be willing to write down, some time, your recollections of him and your estimate of his character? Any personal incidents regarding him would be especially valuable. I shall be very grateful to you for any help or suggestions that you can give, and especially for any copies of letters of Bowen's which you may have.

I trust that I am not asking too much, and have felt sure that you would be glad to help in any way in your power.

Very cordially yours,

My dear Mr. Harding:

I have been gathering, for some years, all the material I could for a biography of George Bowen of Bowen. I have a complete [illegible] papers, which were preserved by the Rev. J. J. McDonald, now Bishop McDonald, into whose hands Bowen's papers came at his death, and I have accumulated a great many reminiscences from those who knew Bowen. Would you not be willing to write down, some time, your recollections of him and your estimate of his character? Any personal incidents regarding him would be especially valuable. I shall be very grateful to you for any help or suggestions that [illegible] of letters of Bowen's which [illegible]

I trust that I am [illegible] you would be glad to help in [illegible]

April 22nd, 1910.

The Rev. Arthur Mailys Stone,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Stone:

I am sorry to have had to wait to reply to your
letter of March 17th, but it has been necessary to get together a number
of items before I could make any schedule for next year.

I would prefer to take my Lectures with you, as they are
now, for the spring vacancy in January and the other in May, if
you please. It seems to me that would require some shifting of other
appointments, and perhaps February and March are not so objectionable,
as I hope to be in Scotland between mid February, all June engagements
with the Presbyterian Church in New York in March.

Will you kindly let me know, at your convenience, what you
would consider a reasonable sum for me to charge for these
lectures? I would be grateful if you could send me word this week,
as I want to make my arrangements, if possible, before leaving for Brazil
on May 4th.

Very faithfully yours,

Received April 24th.

April 22nd. 1909.

Mrs. S. J. [illegible],

[illegible],

N. C.

My dear Mrs. Patterson:-

Mr. Bruce has asked me to write you that he is expecting to come to Jamesville for next Sunday and hopes to write early Saturday evening.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Secretary to Mr. Bruce [illegible].

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April 23rd, 1909.

T. Dean Swift,

Lawrenceville, N. J.

Are you expecting me to preach on Sunday.

R. E. Speer.

April 23rd, 1909.

Mr. H. K. Caskey,

Confederation Life Building,

Toronto, Canada.

My dear Mr. Caskey:-

I have received a copy of the first address at Toronto, which I shall revise and send to you as early as possible. I should be very glad to revise the other two before you publish them. Perhaps the simplest thing would be for me merely to revise the copy of the Birmingham version of the address on "The World's Debt to the Missionary," If you could send me one of the galley proofs of that. If you do not have one, I could get one from Mr.Rowland, but I should certainly like to revise all of them before you print them.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 23rd, 1909.

Mr. Francis Louis Slade,

115 Broadway,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Slade:-

I am very sorry that I have not been able to arrange to speak at the Madison Square Church House this month, as you suggested, but I have had my time more than full in view of my leaving for South America in two weeks, and as it is, I shall have to leave a number of things undone. I am very sorry, as I should have been happy to have come for your meeting at the Church House if I could have arranged it.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 22nd, 1909.

Mr. Charles D. Hilles,
Chauncey,
N. Y.

My dear Mr. Hilles:-

I don't know whether you have left yet for Washington, but if you have my note will be forwarded to you.

It is merely a word of earnest regret that I could not be present at the dinner, but I am leaving for South America in a fortnight, and have had evenings and days more than crowded. I do earnestly join with the other members of the Board, however, in their expression of grateful appreciation for all that you have done for the institution, and of earnest good wishes for your best success in every work that you may take up.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 23rd, 1909.

Mr. William R. Maxwell,

Pottstown,

Pa.

My dear Mr. Maxwell:-

I have been very much interested in a man from Northern New Hampshire, whom I met first some years ago in a lumber camp when trout fishing up in the White Mountains. He was the son of a Baptist minister in Maine and had come off to the woods to get away from the temptation of drink. Once or twice a year, however, he would get out of the woods and squander all his money and then come back again. He was a very intelligent, capable fellow, and Mr. Stone, of Baltimore, and I were very much drawn to him. Last summer I think he was really converted in one of the Sunday meetings at our camp, and when we came down to New York in the fall, he came with us; and after a month at Chester Crest, a Christian home just outside of New York City, intended for such men, we got him a place in an automobile school in New York, and then a job in a garage after he had finished his chauffeur's course. Everything was going finely, but about Christmas time he tripped up again. He came back once more, however, and has been working since in one of the best shoe-stores in the City.

He ought really to have work, however, that would take him out of doors more, and I want to get a job for him some place where he will have Christian friends round about him. If I were

going to be at home this summer, I would not mind his staying on where he is, although even then I think it would be better for him to have other work, as he is at present toiling in a basement, where the confinement is hard on one who has been accustomed to live in the freedom of the woods. But I am going to South America for six months, and am anxious, accordingly, to get him out of New York and into some town where he would have work at the same time that he would have good friends. There is splendid character in him, and I believe confidently in his and his future.

What I am writing now for is to ask whether you can get him any kind of a job in Pottstown and take a futherly interest in him. If he could get work at the Chadwick automobile factory, or in any other good line that would keep him moving about and then if you and some of the other friends could close in around him, to encourage him, I believe it will be a good work. Could you do anything for him- anything in the way of getting him over and giving a little money to start with, I should be glad to arrange for.

I expect to leave in two weeks, and shall be very glad if you could let me hear from you soon. I don't think you need fear at all to take hold of the matter. I should not hesitate a bit if I had any work of my own in which I could employ him.

With kind regards.

Yours sincere friend,

Dictated April 21st.

April 22nd, 1909.

The Rev. J. R. Miller, D.D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Miller:-

I enclose herewith one more article in the Hymn series. If I can send another before getting away on May 5th, I shall be glad to do so, but I don't know whether that will be possible.

I am sorry to have to be out of the country for so long a time and to lose all the ordinary opportunities for seeing the many friends here. It will be good to think about you, however: and I know that now and then at least, you will remember the far-off wanderer in your prayers.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated April 21st.
Enclosure.

April 23rd, 1909.

Mr [illegible],

[illegible],

N. J.

My dear Mr. [illegible]:-

At your suggestion, our Committee on Studies invited Dr. Martin to preach in Englewood on May 23rd, but he already has another engagement for that Sunday, and all the other Sundays are now provided for in our Church, I think, until the end of June. There is another Sunday in August regarding which we may or may not definitely, although we have sent out an invitation for it. Perhaps, if that proves to be open, Dr. Martin might come for us then. In writing to him I told him of your desire to have him as your guest.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 23rd, 1909.

Mr.Howard Arnold Walter,

Theological Seminary,

Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mr. Walter:-

I have received the stenographer's report of my address and shall return it as soon as I can revise it.

If you print it in THE CONGREGATIONALIST, would you kindly ask them to send me two copies of the paper containing it?

Yes, I shall miss Northfield and the other Summer Conferences this year. That is only one of the many things that will have to be given up because of the South America trip, but I am glad of the opportunity to see the Missions in South America and to be of what help may be possible to the missionaries there.

We all grieve to hear of Rogers' death, but it is good to think of him as having died as he did; there could be no better way of ending life.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 23rd, 1909.

Mr. Hans F. Breeden,
414 West 139th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Breeden-

Your letter of April 16th has been duly received.

Our Church in Englewood is still without a pastor and we have had to provide for the pulpit from Sunday to Sunday by supplies. We have all the supplies arranged for, however, with the exception of two Sundays, until the end of August, and we have already sent out invitations for these two Sundays, so that it will not be possible to take advantage of your proposal.

Wishing you success in all your work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April [illegible], [illegible].

[illegible] Wilson,

Princeton,

N. J.

My dear President Wilson:-

I am planning to visit you in Princeton Saturday afternoon, arriving on the 4:24 train, and shall come up at once to your house.

Very cordially yours,

April 24th, 1909.

Mrs. J. W. Doughty,

Williams Bridge,

N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Doughty.-

Your kind note of April 15th has been received.

I only wish that I could be of some genuine help to you and Mr. Doughty, but I do wish you both well and trust that everything may work out prosperously.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 23rd, 1909.

The Rev. Nicholas S. Becker,

Circleville,

Orange County, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Becker:-

I was glad to get your letter of April 16th, and wish I might be of some help to you. If you could put an advertisement in "The Outlook" of what you propose, I should think that would be the best way of reaching a large constituency. A circular tacked up in the Mission House, I think, would not reach very many people. We have one or two notice boards where it could be tacked up, if you wish, but I think an advertisement in "The Outlook" would be much the most effective thing that you could do. Perhaps a note in "The Observer" would help also. I shall be glad to speak about the matter to one or two people, to see if they can be of any assistance.

Wishing you good success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1909.

Mrs. Emily McGilvary Orr,

Statesville,

N. C.

Dear Mrs.Orr:-

I should think that probably Dr.William Newton Clarke's "Can I Believe in God the Father" would be a good book to put in the hands of the student of whom you write. So much depends on the receptive type of mind that one hesitates to recommend a book where one is ignorant of the person, but I should think that the book I have suggested would be the right one.

It was a great pleasure to hear from you. Your father has a very warm place in the affection of all friends of the missionary work.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1909.

The Rev. John Timothy Stone,

1316 Park Avenue,

Baltimore, Md.

My dear John:-

All that you say about John McDowell is true. He is all right as a preacher and as a man, and, for most of the people, as a pastor. His limitations would be on the side of his culture. You know his boyhood and his education. I think these limitations have probably been so overcome that in almost any church he would be entirely at home with all the people. He is a thorough gentleman, in the truest sense, but he has not had the discipline or experience, I judge, which has given him a taste for the kind of people with whom a good deal of your work has been done.

Mrs. McDowell, I judge, has had a little less contact of this sort than Mr. McDowell has, although she is a very genuine and pleasant woman. I don't think that you could do better than get him for your Church, provided you think he and Mrs. McDowell are qualified on the social side. I hate the introduction of this element at all, because it is purely artificial. Intellectually and spiritually and personally, Mr. McDowell is thoroughly suitable, and I don't know that there is anything in the qualifications I suggest at all. I only mean that they have been used to a little plainer manner of things than your Church has been accustomed to,- but they are thoroughly true.

Well, our hearts fail at the thought of going far off, but

God will go with you, and it is His work which you are doing.

Ever affectionately yours.

Dictated April 21st.

April 23rd, 1909

Mr. Samuel John Mills,
Lafayette College,
Easton, PA.

My dear Mr. Mills:-

I can appreciate your perplexity over the question of the Theological Seminary. I think it is better for a man to be trained in one of the Seminaries of his own Church, as a rule, or to take at least a part of his training in one. I would not be diverted, if I were you, from any one Seminary which I had intended to enter by pressure brought to bear in favor of other Seminaries. If the Seminary to which you propose to go suits you, I would go on there. If it does not suit you, then, if I were you, I would get full information regarding the different Seminaries which you would wish to consider, and would then decide the question in the light of the information that you get.

You do not mention McCormick and Auburn, both of which are good Seminaries and well worth your consideration. If you want to go to a New England Seminary, then I think Hartford, which you mention, would be the best one to choose. The Presbyterian Seminary which perhaps most nearly approximates Harvard in its general spirit and attitude, is Auburn, although Auburn has not made such a specialty of Foreign Missionary studies as Hartford has sought to do.

I think that more will depend on you than on the Seminary, in any case. No one of them, from my point of view, is ideal, but any one of them will furnish an earnest man, who does his own thinking, a

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thoroughly good preparation.

If you are ever here at any time and care to stop in, I should be glad to talk matters over with you.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 19.

Mr. Hugh R. Moore,

236 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

My dear Mr. Moore-

Your good letter of April 14th was duly received, together with a copy of the Call to the Conference.

I am quite willing, indeed to have my name signed to the Call. It is, I think, the Call which you and Mr. Trumbull and I collaborated on. I had not seen it in its printed form, and was not sure from what Mr. Mody said to me just what Call it was that he had seen.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1909.

President William DeWitt Hyde,

Brunswick,

Maine.

My dear President Hyde:-

I have delayed answering your kind note of April 6th until I could reply definitely, but I am still unable to do so, as my schedule next year will be a good deal congested, because I must be out of the country for six months, and it makes it more difficult to plan for all that one would like to do while here.

I shall hope to be able to let you know within a few days, however, whether there will be any possibility of my coming. I could say now that I could not come for October 17th, January 17th or February 13th.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1909.

President George Harris,

Amherst,

Mass.

My dear President Harris:-

I have delayed answering your kind note of March 7th, in order to be able to suggest some definite Sunday, but am still unable to do so. I hope to be able to write, however, within a few days on the subject, and trust it may be possible to come for November 21st.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1909

The Rev. J. Rose Stevenson,
19 East 66th Street,
New York City.

My dear Rose:-

I have been trying to map out the appointments for next year and find that, in case you want to have me at all, I could work it in best for March 20th, 27th, April 3rd and 10th; but I fear that one of these Sundays would be Easter, and that would interfere with such an arrangement. If Easter is the 10th, how would March 20th, 27th and March 3rd do, having three Sundays instead of four?

The other possibility with me might be December 12th, 19th, 26th and January 2nd, but I have already offered Yale December 12th and 19th, although I am not sure whether these would be their best dates.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1909,

Dr. Charles P. Emerson,

Clifton Springs,

N. Y.

My dear Dr. Emerson:-

May I send my hearty congratulations on your marriage? I wish you and Mrs. Emerson every joy and God's abiding blessing in all your life-work. I am sorry I shall not have the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Emerson this summer, at the Annual Meeting of the Trustees, as I shall have to be out of the country and shall miss the meeting for the first time since I have been a member of the Board.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 24th, 1902.

W. S. Jennings, D.D.,

[illegible],

Pa.

[illegible] Dr. Jennings:-

Did you receive my letter, asking whether you [illegible] on the 13th instant or not? And can you let me know whether you can come?

Very cordially yours,

April 24th, 1906.

Rev. George L. Curtis, D.D.,

23 Park Place,

Bloomfield, N. J.

My dear Dr. Curtis:-

I am sorry to have been so slow in answering your kind letter of April 13th. I don't remember I could suggest any better books than those which you have mentioned.

To college students wrestling with the difficulty you mention, however, I have usually suggested such books as Simpson's "Manual of Christ," Bushnell's "The Character of Jesus," Dale's "The Living Christ and the Gospels."

Then I think that good biographies are always helpful, and such biographies as Jenny Lind Goldsmith's and C. T. Keller's contain evidences that cannot be gainsaid.

With warm regard,

Your sincere friend,

April 26th, 1909.

Mr. J. M. Loveland, Jr.,

Pennsylvania Military College,

Chester, Pa.

My dear Jack-

Your very kind note of April 11th is received.

I wish I could accept your invitation, and I would gladly do so if it were a possibility, but I have to sail on May 5th for South America, to be gone for six months, and every hour of my time from now until then will be taken up in clearing up my work and getting ready to go. I am very sorry it is so. Your father has been very cordial in his invitation to me to come down to Chester, and I should be happy to come if it were a possibility.

With kind regards and cordial appreciation of your letter, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 26th, 1906.

Mr. Nathan Gilbur Dole,

Exeter,

N. H.

My dear Mr. Dole-

Your very kind note with its generous enclosure has been received.

I appreciate very much your kindness on meeting the expense of my trip. It was only a pleasure, however, for me to come, and I appreciated very much the good company of whom I met turned out at such an inconvenient hour, and I was delighted to see Exeter and delighted with what I saw.

With best wishes and hoping to be able to accept your cordial invitation to see Exeter again, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 26th, 1909.

The Rev. F. K. Fishburn,
Belchertown,
Mass.

Dear Mr. Fishburn:-

I am sorry to have been delayed in replying to your note of April 17th.

I don't know any ministers or leaders in church work, who preach the destructive results of criticism who are "successes in their work in the ministry and in winning men"
I know a number of men who I think accept the theory of a composite construction of the Old Testament who are successes in their work in the ministry and in winning men, but they succeed and win not by preaching any theory of Biblical criticism, but by preaching Christ. Such men would be the Rev.George Gordon,D.D., of the Old South Church, Boston; the Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin,D.D., of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City; the Rev. L. Mason Clarke,D.D., of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn, and the Rev.W.R.Taylor of the Brick Presbyterian Church of Rochester--to mention only a few.

Of course, I don't know definitely what these men's views are, but I have no doubt that they accept the results of the higher criticism as to the Old Testament. As far as Scotland and England are concerned, I think you would find that there, as a rule, men like Denny, George Adams Smith, Johnson Ross, and P.T .Forsyth, and others, are all men who would accept the results of the higher criticism of the Old Testament, while yet they would be found as conservative as anyone in this country,

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probably, on fundamental issues, like the incarnation and the atonement.

No one is going to help people or win men, however, by preaching critical theories. Any true success that men attain they will attain by knowing the divine and living Christ, who died for men and rose again and lives to save.

Personally, my own views of the Bible are very conservative, but I think the fundamental issue of criticism should be joined over the person of Christ.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 26th, 1909.

Principal Joseph S. Walton,
George School,
Pa.

My dear Mr. Walton:-

Your kind note of April 12th has been received.

I wish I could have the pleasure of attending the Commencement at the George School, but I am expecting to sail for South America on May 5th, and shall not return until fall.

Thanking you for your kind invitation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

April 26th, 1905.

Mr. A. C. Craig,

Cressmill,

N. J.

My dear Mr. Craig:-

I have made some inquiries about work for the woman of whom you spoke, and would suggest your corresponding or having her correspond directly with Miss Lancaster, agent of the United Charities, Morlewood, N. J. I think that Mrs. Bennett and Miss Lancaster would be able to advise her wisely as to the prospect of work here. Mrs. Bonn tells me that there is a good deal of such work called for as you said she would be able to do.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 21st.

[illegible],

3702 Locust Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Your good note is just received. I think that we had better get passports. I enclose, herewith, a blank form. Send it with one dollar to the Department of State Passport Bureau, Washington, D.C. As you see, it must be executed before a notary public. Tell the State Department to send you the passport immediately, so that you can have it by Monday.

Our Treasurer's Office sent me in a memorandum for our tickets. You can send me your check now or send it later, if you prefer. The amount, as you remember, is $135. to Bahia. Make check payable to Dwight M. Day, Treasurer,

Your sincere friend,

[illegible]

Dear Sir:

April 27th, 1909.

The Rev. George Grenwell Merrill,

714 Porter Avenue,

Buffalo, N. Y.

My dear George:-

Your good letter of Easter Tuesday was duly received, and I trust that before this you got my letter.

It would have been very nice if you could have come down either Easter Monday or afterwards. I am afraid it will be a long time now before I see you again, as I sail two weeks from to-day. I shall look forward, though, to seeing you in the fall, and shall hope that we may all be kept in health and safety through the months until then. I am delighted to know that everything is going so well in the Church, and trust that all your work may be more and more strengthened and perfected.

I wish I had one of those photographs to send you. Mrs. Speer has enjoined on my that I must get a new one before leaving for South America, but I hate photographs like poison, and don't know whether I shall be able to do it or not. If I do, I shall leave word with Mrs. Speer to have one sent to you.

I am sorry to miss our Twentieth Reunion down at Princeton this June. I hope that you will be able to get back, and that you may all have a good time among the old scenes.

With warmest love, dear George,

Yours affectionately yours.

Dictated April 21st.

April 27th, 1909.

Mr. William B. Bourne,

66 Pine Street,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter of April 15th, with reference to the baggage insurance, I would like to know whether a policy would be issued for six months at the rate of $17.50, covering the baggage of my travelling companion and myself to an amount not to exceed $1,000. I expect to have him with me throughout a six months' trip to South America, and our combined luggage would fall within $1,000. Would one policy be issued covering it all?

Very truly yours,

April 27th, 1909.

Mr. Wash Hayler,

The Hill School,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Wash:-

I was sorry not to have seen more of you last Saturday, but Elliott wanted to monopolize all your spare time.

I hope that things are going better this term. There will doubtless be a great deal all around you that you won't like. One finds that every place, but what one cannot change he must simply ignore, however much it may fret him to be in contact with what he cannot approve. You will find life outside to be just a larger kind of school, without so very much more freedom of choice of companions and with just the same necessary collision with much that one opposes.

I hope you won't think that I was not sympathetic with the difficulties as you felt them, and please don't think for a moment that I doubted a word that you said. All that I meant to try to help you to feel was, that there are a lot of these things that one cannot change, and that one must therefore, while doing his best always to make things better, just pass by. Some of them he can pass by contemptuously, others pityingly; but the main thing is to get out of one's self, and not to estimate things or men according as they relate themselves to one's self. Our business is to welcome what good we find as we go along, to let people feel clearly what we think of the evil that we meet as we go along, and do our best to help every man and to give every man

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what help we can.

I hope you will not let yourself get into the way of thinking too much of what is all around one that is not as it ought to be; and that you will make others and work for others and the lives of others, nevertheless, your chief end and and concern. I know it is hard to make this combination, but the secret of life is found in making it, and your usefulness and success in the future will depend on your making it now,- on your entering into other people's interests and being strong with the strength which comes alone from self-forgetful work and play with others.

What you have done for Deacon has been a good thing for him and a good thing for you, and one ought to be working with hearty interest always in other men's lives just in that way, and I hope that that is what you may be able to do, that your life may be a great strength and help to many.

I am afraid I won't see you again before I sail two weeks from to-day. I am sorry we won't have any good times together this summer, but I shall often think of you, and I hope that you will like the Hill, and either will not give it up, or if you give it up will go off to some other school where you will have the same problem that you will have to face out in life.

With much love, I am

Always your friend,

Dictated April 21st.

April 27th, 1909.

Mr. Alexander Duff Wallace,

c/o MacNiven & Wallace, Book Sellers,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

Dear Sir:-

Your kind note of April 5th, with reference to the Sabbath Evening Services of the Young People's Guild of the Craig-Mullar Park United Free Church, has been received.

I have not felt free to make any appointments on my own account, in view of the various plans which are being made by Dr.Robson, and I would beg leave to refer you to him. Whatever engagements he may make for me, during my stay in Scotland, I shall be very glad to carry out. His address is, the Rev. George Robson,D.D., 36 Murrayfield Road, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated April 22nd.

April 28th, 1909.

Mrs. Ellen Craven Learned,
"The Portsmouth,"
58 West 9th St., New York City.

My dear Mrs. Learned:-

I had hoped to have the pleasure of coming to see you sometime this winter or spring, trusting that you would be willing to let me see your father's journal, or at any rate to give some reminiscences of his great character, but I have been away so constantly that I have not been able to come, and am now leaving for a six months' absence in South America. Sometime, however, I shall hope, if I may, to take advantage of your kind invitation and to learn further about your father, whose life, as far as I have known of it, I have looked upon with great admiration.

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated April 22nd.

April 28th, 1909.

Mr. D. A. Hunter,

Lovedale,

South Africa.

My Dear Mr. Hunter:-

I don't know whether you and Mrs. Hunter are in South Africa now or in Scotland, but I shall chance a little note of greeting and reminder to you at Lovedale.

I hope that you and Mrs. Hunter are both well, and that, as I am sure must be the case, all goes well with you in all the work to which you put your hand. I often think of you, and many good memories of you and Mrs. Stewart have come back recently as I have read Mr. Wells' Life of Mr. Stewart, and as I have been reading more recently the book on the South African Natives. I only wish that your work would bring you and Mrs. Hunter over here some time. Failing that, perhaps you may be at home in Scotland next winter, or at the Conference in Edinburgh in June, 1910, and I may hope to see you then.

With ever warm regard,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated April 22nd.

April 26th, 1909.

Mr. A. E. Kinnell,

Wentworth's Location,

N. H.

My dear Allen:-

I am sorry that I shall not be up to see you and Percy Ripley this summer. I am expecting to go to South America next month, to be gone for six months. I had hoped to get back to Northern New Hampshire and to have a trip or two in Maine, but all that will have to be given up. Mr. Stone will probably be back, and I hope you will see him. Give my kind regards to Percy, when you see him, and believe me

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated April 23rd.

April 28th, 1909.

Norman Bitman, Ph.D., M.D.

26 East 60th St., New York City.

My dear Dr. Bitman:-

I wanted to write to you some time ago, to tell you how much I enjoyed looking over your article in "The Columbian University Quarterly" on "Education and its Economic Value in the Field of Preventive Medicine." Some one sent me a copy of the magazine. If it was you, I want to thank you heartily for it; both Mrs. Spaeth and I were greatly interested in it.

With best wishes for your continued usefulness and success, I am

Very sincerely yours.

Dictated April 22nd.

April 26th, 1900.

Miss Ethel Wright,

Wellesley College,

Wellesley, Mass.

My dear Miss Wright:-

I have not forgotten our conversation on [illegible] at Wellesley [illegible], and I have sincerely hoped that a faith in a personal Saviour [illegible] is yet real. It was at the close of our conversation. I am taking the liberty of sending you herewith a copy of a little book by Dr. [illegible], entitled, "[illegible]" which I [illegible] and [illegible] to you.

Very sincerely yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. James McLeod, D.D.,

Cape May, N.J.

My dear Dr. McLeod:

Yes, indeed, we are expecting you to supply our church in Englewood on Sunday, May 9th. You will hear from Mr. Frederick Snare in advance as to your entertainment. I am sorry I shall not be home to greet you, but I am leaving next Wednesday for a six months visit to South America.

Very cordially yours,

April 29th, 1909.

Mr. Horace A. Baker,

Phi Delta Theta House,

Easton, PA.

My dear Mr. Baker:

I am sorry it will not be possible for me to accept your kind invitation, but I am leaving next Wednesday for South America, to be gone until October.

Very sincerely yours,

April 29th, 1909.

The Rev. George H. Atkinson,

Albermarle, N.C.

My dear Mr. Atkinson:

I thank you for your good note of April 23rd, but I am sailing next week for South America and shall not be back until the end of October.

With kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

April 29th, 1909.

Mr. Gilbert A. Beaver,

124 East 28th Street,

New York City. (Personal)

My dear Gilbert:

I enclose, herewith, a letter from Jack Holmes, telling what he has been doing in the Consolidated Gas Company. I hope that you can either see Jack or speak to Gilbert White about the matter and then confer with Jack. He has been doing well, and I want to see him forge right ahead now, as I hope he has ability to do.

I am sailing next Wednesday, and won't see you and Ann now for many months.

With much love to you all, I am

Your affectionate friend,

Enclosure.

April 25th, 1909.

Mr. J. Campbell White,
2 Nassau Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

Will you kindly present my excuse at the meeting on Friday, May 7th, and give my best regards to all the members of the Committee who are present. Shall tell them that I shall be thinking of them and praying for the work while absent from you ?

Very cordially yours,

April 26th, 1906.

Mr. F.L.Sheldon,
410 Court Street,
Hastings, Nebraska.

My dear Mr. Sheldon:

I received your kind note of April 25th. It will make possible for me to come, however, as I do not expect to attend the General Assembly this year, as I am leaving next week for a trip to South America and shall not be back until the end of October.

Very sincerely yours,

April 29th, 1909.

Mr. W. M. Brockman,

University of Virginia,

Charlottesville, N.C.

My dear Mr. Brockman:

Your good note of the 26th is just received.

I am sorry I cannot hope to come down to the University next year, as I am leaving next week for South America and shall not be back until the end of October, and expect to be in Scotland next January and February. The few months I shall have here will be crowded full with my immediate work.

Very cordially yours,

April 30th, 1909.

Mr. William H. Maxwell,

Pottstown, PA.

My dear Mr. Maxwell:

I am very much obliged for your good letter, which was just like you in its friendly helpfulness. I hope that something can be arranged for the young man of whom I wrote. He knows horses well, and will be glad to get any job at all. As for pay, he has no one dependent on him, he is unmarried, but he wants to earn enough to support himself and to pay back some money which was advanced to him, not in the nature of a loan, but which he wishes to regard as such. His address is Charles H. Cahill, % Mr. Perrault, 143 West 16th St., N.Y.C. I will be sailing for South America next Wednesday, and perhaps if you can find anything for Mr. Cahill it will be better if you will write directly to him.

With warm regard, I am

Your sincere friend,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. W.I.Campbell,
58 University Place,
Princeton, N.J.

My dear Mr. Campbell:

I thank you very much for your note of April 27th with reference to Dr. King. Our Church Committee already has plans which I think would lead them to feel that they would wish to follow out some other lines on which they are working before taking up any new names, or at least before arranging to hear anyone this coming Sunday. I shall, however, send your note to Mr. Schenck, the Chairman of the Committee.

Very truly yours,

Dictated April 29th.

April 30th, 1909.

Mr. L.V.Davison,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mr. Davison:

I enclose, herewith, the list of supplies for the Summer with some explanatory notes. I am sending copies of it to Mr. Payson and Mr. Schenck, as well as to Mr. Snare.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated April 29th.

April 30th, 1909.

Mr. F.B.Schenck,

Liberty National Bank,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Schenck:

I enclose, herewith, the list of supplies for the Summer with some explanatory notes. I am sending copies of it to Mr. Upton and Mr. Davison, as well as to Mr. Shaw.

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

April 30th, 1909.

Mr. George M. Payson,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mr. Payson:

I enclose, herewith, the list of supplies for the Summer with some explanatory notes. I am sending copies of it to Mr. Davison and Mr. Schenck, as well as to Mr. Snare.

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

April 30th, 1909.

Mr. Frederick Smale,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Fred:

I am glad to know that you are back again. I am not sailing until Wednesday, so that I may see you before I set away: but I enclose, herewith, a statement of the supplies for the Summer. I am sending copies of it to Mr. Stetson, Mr. Tyson and Mr. Scherpf. You will act as Chairman of the Committee, will you not, and look after the points suggested? I resigned my place on the Committee to take effect May 1st, and at the next meeting of the session I presume someone else will be named.

I should not be surprised if Mr. McAllister might not be glad to entertain Dr. McLeod. It might be well at least to give him the opportunity.

Very cordially yours,

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Dictated April 30th.

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. G.H.Broenig, Ph.D.,

Ashley, Pa.

Dear Dr. Broenig:

Your very kind note has been received. I am sorry to have to say that it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation, as I am expecting to be in South America in September.

Very cordially yours,

April 30th, 1909.

My dear Stanley:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and the business of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on May 16th and June 27th. Mr. Frederick Snare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. Walter Laidlaw, Ph.D.,

41 Hamilton Terrace,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Laidlaw:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on May 23rd. Mr. Frederick Snare is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

President J.M.Thomas,

Middlebury, Vt.

My dear Dr. Thomas:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on May 30th. Mr. Frederick Snare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. Hugh Black, D.D.,

700 Park Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Black:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on June 20th. Mr. Frederick Shore of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. J.M.Ferrar, D.D.,

First Reformed Church,
7th Avenue & Garfield Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Ferrar:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on July 11th. Mr. Frederick Snare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. James E. Frame, D.D.,

700 Park Avenue,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Frame:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit on July 18th, 25th, and August 1st. Mr. Frederick Snare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. P.W.Bible,

Clifton Springs, New York.

My dear Mr. Bible:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on August 8th. Mr. Frederick Snare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1923

The Rev. W.H.Jennings, D.D.,
First Presbyterian Church,
Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Dr. Jennings:

As I expect to be away for the next few months with an decided of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on August 19th. Mr. Frederick Knapp of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1908.

The Rev. Edward H. Reed, D.D.,

Plainfield, N.J.

My dear Mr. Reed,

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for me on August 23rd. Mr. Frederick Smyth of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

The Rev. John McDowell,

Park Presbyterian Church,

Newark, N.J.

My dear McDowell:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on August 29th. Mr. Frederick Snare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

April 30th, 1909.

My dear Dr. Brown:

As I expect to be away for the next few months and am desirous of leaving all the arrangements for our Englewood pulpit clearly settled, I write to confirm our understanding that you are to supply the pulpit for us on May 2nd, June 6th and 13th, and July 4th. Mr. Frederick Chare of Englewood, N.J. is now Chairman of our Supplies Committee, and he will arrange for your entertainment. You will probably hear from him in advance.

Very faithfully yours,

May 1st, 1909.

Mr. John K. Converse,

Rosemont, Pa.

Expect to arrive Rosemont five six train.

C. T. Wilson.

May 3rd, 1909.

Mr. D.A.Budge,

Dominion [illegible] Building,

Montreal, CANADA.

My dear Mr. Budge:

Mr. Speer received this morning your note of May 1st, with its kind invitation for Sunday, August 22nd. Mr. Speer will be sailing on Wednesday of this week for a six months' visit to our missions in South America, not returning until the end of October. It will be impossible for him, therefore, to deliver the address which you propose.

Very cordially yours,

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Secretary to Mr. Speer.

May 3rd, 1909.

Mr. William M. Richardson,
Cliosophic Society,
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Mr. Richardson;

Your note of April 27th, addressed to Mr. Speer, reached his office this morning. Mr. Speer is expecting to sail on Wednesday of this week for a six months' visit to our Missions in South America, and it will therefore be impossible for him to be present at the Annual Meeting of the Union Hall, to be held on June 14th.

Trusting that you may have a good meeting, I am

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

May 3rd, 1909.

Mr. John T. Sproull,

Arlington,

N.J.

Dear Mr. Sproull:

Your letter of April 30th addressed to Mr. Speer reached his office this morning. Mr. Speer is expecting to sail on Wednesday of this week for a visit to our Missions in South America, and does not expect to return until the end of October. It will be impossible, therefore, for him to deliver the missionary address at the proposed Convention.

Trusting that the meetings may be very helpful and fruitful, I am

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

May 3rd, 1909.

Mr. Robert E. Speer,

32 Bible House,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Speer,

Your letter of April 23rd with the accompanying statement has been received. Mr. Speer is now making his final arrangements to sail on Wednesday of this week for a six months' trip in South America, and he requested me to let you know that although he was very glad to receive the little pamphlet and would have been glad to look over it, he has been unable to give the time necessary for it.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

May 5th, 1909.

Mr. Thomas S. Evans,

Howard Houston Hall,

W. Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Tom,

Your good letter of the 29th is received. I shall be glad to hold April 17th, tentatively, for the University of Pennsylvania. I shall be able to let you know definitely in November or December whether I can surely come then.

With kind regards, and hoping that you and Mrs. Evans may have a good Summer, I am

Ever your friend,

Dictated May 4th.

May 5th, 1909.

Professor John Meigs,

Pottstown, Pa.

My dear Professor:

It is no easy thing to make out next year's schedule in view of the three months of January, February and June that I shall probably have to be in Scotland, and in view of the indefiniteness of the time of my return from South America. I hope to get back in October, however, and am putting down in my schedule for next year - if satisfactory to you - the following Sundays for the Hill: November 14th, December 5th, April 10th and May 1st. If I don't go to Scotland for June, 1910, of course I should be glad to come over for any June Sunday, and it is possible that I may have a Sunday in March free, but I must hold that month as yet for a special series of meetings in the Fifth Avenue Church of New York.

I wrote to Mr. Maxwell a little while ago about a young man in whom I am interested, trusting that he might be able to find some work for him, and he is looking up something. I venture to enclose a copy of my letter to Mr. Maxwell in case you should hear of any opening that might be good for such a man. The young fellow's name is Charles F. Cahill. He is now working in Alexander's Shoe Store, and his address is Mr. Charles F. Cahill, c/o Mr. Portzula, 143 West 16th St., N.Y.C. He has splendid qualities in him, and I believe can be made into a man.

We are expecting the Cooks up to lunch to-day, and Joe and I walk at noon to-morrow.

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I hope that you may have a very good Summer, and with warmest love to Mrs. John and the children and yourself, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated May 11th
Enclosure.

May 5th, 1909.

President George Harris,

Amherst, Mass.

My dear President Harris:

I am having no little difficulty in working out my next year's schedule in view of the uncertainty as to my return from South America and the certainty of my absence from the country in Scotland, for January and February, and perhaps, also, for June. I do not see, accordingly, how I can care for my more immediate work and at the same time have the pleasure of getting up to Amherst this Fall. I shall be glad to try to hold Sunday, May 8th, however, if that will be satisfactory.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Pictured May 4th.

May 5th, 1909.

President L. Clarke Seelye,

Northampton, Mass.

My dear Mr. Seelye:

I think I promised to let you know when my next appointment at Amherst would be, in case there should be no other arrangement for a preacher on the regular service that afternoon. I enclose, accordingly, herewith, a copy of my last note to Dr. Harris.

In sincerely grieving still many at the loss to the college through your resignation of the presidency, I am

Very faithfully yours,

Dictated May 4th.

Enclosure.

May 5th, 1909.

President William DeWitt Hyde,

Brunswick, Maine.

My dear President Hyde:

I am very sorry to have to write that it will not be possible for me to accept your kind invitation for April 6th, already acknowledged in my letter of April 21st. I am not certain as to the time of my return from South America and shall have to be away from the country for probably three months of the college year 1909-1910. When I am here our Board always meets on the first and third Mondays of each month, so that I am unable to go so far away for the preceding Sundays as to be prevented from getting back in time for the Board Meeting. I am very sorry to have to give up the pleasure of coming to Bowdoin.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated May 4th.

May 5th, 1909.

The Rev. W.S.Buehler,

Louisville, Conn.

My dear Mr. Buehler:

I am having no little difficulty in mapping out next year's schedule, but as far as I can now say, I shall hope to come to Hotchkiss for November 21th and April 24th. I shall let you know when I get back in the fall whether anything will have arisen to prevent.

I hope that you and Mrs. Buehler and Reginald and Barbara may have a good summer, and with affectionate regards to you all, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated May 4th.

May 9th, 1908.

Mr. Charles S. Trumbull,
1631 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Charlie:

Your note enclosing Dr. Osgood's good letters, which I read with very much interest - and your good letter of April 29th regarding the articles for the new year, have been received. I shall take the letter along, and be turning the former over in my mind. I am liking very well the [illegible] for the Paul book which Dr. Briggs sent up, and am suggesting either the one you suggested - "The Many-Sided Paul," or a one which I have suggested - "Paul, a Master Builder."

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated May 11th.

May 4th, 1909.

Editor of Christian Work,

New Northfield, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I enclose, herewith, some book reviews. I wish I had had time to send you more, as I have still quite a number of books awaiting review. But I shall not be able to do anything further with them for some months.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated May 4th.

Enclosures.

May 5th, 1909.

The Rev. T. Dean Swift,

Lawrenceville, N.J.

My dear Mr. Swift:

Your kind note of April 30th with its enclosed check has been received. I thank you for your kind promptness. It is always a pleasure to come down to the School and to meet the good friends there. I am leaving to-morrow to be gone for six months, but shall hope to hear, when I get back in the Fall, that Dr. McPherson is in his place again, and shall look forward with pleasure to coming down some time during the year to see him and all the friends again.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated May 4th.

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[illegible]

Dear Sir:-

[illegible] to deliver your Commencement address in June.

I have to inform you that Mr.Spear sailed at noon to-day for South America, to be gone six months. As to the engagement for next year, I would suggest that you communicate with him after his return.

[illegible]

May 5th, 1909.

My dear Mr. Briggs:

I return, herewith, the manuscript on Paul. I would suggest for titles either "The Many-sided Paul," or "Paul A Master-builder." Whichever you and Mr. Trumbull may choose will be satisfactory to me.

I think the three editorials should be included, only I would use the following titles: - instead of "Paul's Ease Under the Supernatural," "Paul the Believing Man." Instead of "Taking Delight in Difficulties," "Paul the Joyful Struggler." Instead of "What Our Failures Can do For Us," "Paul the Undiscouragable."

I have noticed two small errors in "The Deity of Christ," which I wish very much you could have corrected before any more are printed. On page 6, ninth line from the bottom, the first word "that" should be "which," and on the same page, eleventh line from the bottom, the first word "which" should be "that."

With best wishes for a good Summer, I am

Very cordially yours.

Enclosures.

Dictated May 4th.

[illegible] May 8th, 1911.

My dear Mrs. Spencer:-

The enclosed sheet of inquiries concerning Mr. Spencer I am sending to you, thinking possibly you might furnish the desired information to Mr. Collins without troubling your very busy husband.

Sincerely yours,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

The enclosed letter to Mr. Speer has just come in. [illegible] already called for such [illegible] I have taken refusal that you are connected with this [illegible] and will [illegible] this [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

May 6th, 1909.

Mr. Minot S. Morgan,

Summit, N.J.

My dear Morgan:

Your very kind note, with its entirely unanticipated enclosure, has been received. It was only a pleasure to come over, and you need not have thought of sending anything as you did. I am going off to South America to-morrow, and shall be glad to take it along to use there.

With warm regard, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated May 4th.

May 6th, 1903.

Mr. George Dunforth,
72 Broad Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Dunforth:

I enclose, herewith, a check which I had meant to send you long ago as a contribution to the Fund for the Academy.

Very sincerely yours,

Enclosure.
Notated May 11th.

May 6th, 1909.

Mr. Robert Scott,

62 Pater Noster Row, E.C.,

London, ENGLAND.

Dear Mr. Scott:

Your very kind note of April 14th has been duly received. The little booklet on the "Deity of Christ" has already been published by Revell. Any arrangements which you may make with him as to its publication on your side will be entirely satisfactory to me. I judge, however, that he is expecting to issue it as one of his own publications from each of his offices.

I am leaving to-morrow for South America, to be gone for six months, and shall not be able to give thematter any attention. My only concern is that whatever godd the little book may be capable of accomplishing it should accomplish as widely as possible.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated May 4th.

May 6th, 1909.

Mr. Harold Pierce,

222 Drexel Building,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Pierce:

Your good letter of April 30th has been received. I, also, have had letters from Mr. Ross from which I judge that unless unanticipated developments come in England, he will come to you at Bryn Mawr. While we regret losing him here, Mrs. Speer and I rejoice greatly that your needs and the needs of that important student community are to be so splendidly met.

Thank you very much for your kindness in sending the letters regarding Mr. Trausdale. I don't think, however, that our Committee will do anything in that direction.

With kind regards from us all, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated May 4th.

May 6th, 1909.

Chancellor S.B.McCormick,

302 Home Trust Building,

Pittsburgh, PA.

My dear Dr. McCormick:

Your kind note of April 30th has been received. Dr. Smith's name was brought before our Church by several friends some time ago, but the Committee did not seem disposed to move in that direction. Just at present our Committee has settled upon two men, - each of whom it was unable to secure - and is now settled upon a third from whom we are waiting to secure definite word.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated May 4th.

May 6th, 1909.

Rev. J.A.Caughey,
Y.M.C.A.,
Duluth, Minn.

My dear Mr. Caughey:

Your kind note of April 27th was received. I am sorry it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation. I have no expectation of being in Minnesota this coming Winter or Spring.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated May 4th.

May 6th, 1903.

Mr. Henry H. Tifft,

Room 413,

Terminal Building, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Tifft:

I expect to be out of the country for the next six months and must ask you to present my excuse at the next meeting of the Board of the Juvenile Asylum, and to have me excused, if you will be so good, for the next six months.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated May 4th.

May 4th, 1908.

Mr. Alfred C.D.Bellerly,
Emmanuel College,
Cambridge, ENGLAND.

My dear Mr. Bellerly:

Your very kind letter of April 23rd is received. I am expecting to be in Scotland in January and February in connection with some missionary lectures, but I am very doubtful as to whether it will be possible to come down to Cambridge at that time. As I understand it, the lectures are so arranged as to require six Sundays in Scotland, and I shall have to return to America immediately after the lectures. I should be very glad, however, if you would correspond with the Rev. George Robson, M.A.36 Murrayfield Road, Edinburgh, SCOTLAND. I have been referring the kind invitations which have come to Mr. Robson, in order that there might be no confusion or duplication. If he sees any more time in connection with the lecturership which would make it possible to visit Cambridge, I should be very glad to consider the matter further. But I fear there will be no such time as I must leave immediately upon the close of the lectureship to return to New York.

Very sincerely yours,

dictated May 4th.

May 7th, 1900.

Mr. George S. Cox,

Englewood, N.J.

My dear Mr. Cox:

I enclose, herewith, a copy of my proposed itinerary, which is sure to undergo many changes, but it is the rough plan on which I am starting out.

Thanking you for all your kindness, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated May 4th.

Secretary.

May 7th., 1909.

Mr. Edwin H. Bulkley,
J. Brown, Shipley & Company,
London, ENGLAND.

My dear Ned:

I received, yesterday, the cablegram signed by you and Lucy and Mr. Benner, and am very grateful for it and its loving message. Mrs. Benner was in this morning and I showed it to her. It is a lovely day. I hope to-morrow will be as fair, as my boat sails at noon.

I hope you are all having a fine and restful time and that you may come back with great reserves of strength laid up for the future.

I am working, as well as I can, at my proposed itinerary, which will undoubtedly undergo many changes.

With warm regards to Lucy and yourself, and to Mr. Benner if he is still with you, I am

Ever affectionately yours,

Dictated May 6th.
Enclosure.

May 7th, 190[illegible].

My dear Mother:

I enclose, herewith, a paper which will be self-explanatory. It will be subject to many changes, but I will, of course, keep Anna informed of these as soon as I can foresee them.

I have heard from Mr. Black regarding the Cooperstown minister, and have written about him to Mr. Moody of Northfield, although Mr. Moody is away and will not be back for some days yet, I think.

I am working at home to-day and am trying to clear off the last letters before leaving.

With a great deal of love from us all, I am

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated May 4th.

Enclosure.

Mrs. Charles L. Bailey,
31 South Front Street,
Harrisburgh, PA.

P.S. - Please thank Nonny for her good letter and say good-bye to her and to all the family for me.

May 7th., 1909.

Mr. W.L.Pierce,

Richmond, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Pierce:

I enclose, herewith, a list of the supplies for the Richmond Parish for the Census. You and he, there are the only remaining members of the Committee. I send the Session, however, at the last meeting, to appoint someone in my place in case you need another member.

Very cordially yours,

Enclosure.

Directed for him.

May 7th, 1909.

Mr. David Bovaird,

126 West 58th Street,

New York City.

My dear David:

Thank you very much for the medicine chest so splendidly stocked, which I got yesterday. Will you kindly send a memorandum of the expense to my office, and Mr. Day will forward a check to cover the amount.

Thank you very much for all that you have done. I hope you may have a fine time at the reunion. I am sorry to miss it.

Ever affectionately yours,

pictured May 4th.

May 7th, 1920.

Miss Mary E. Speer,
234 West Market,
Washington, Pa.

My dear Mary and Mr. Speer:

Your good letters came to hand received, and I appreciate all your good wishes. I am writing this letter on the last day, but it will not get off until I am gone, but I wanted to send you the enclosed statement, which will be explanatory. It will be subject to my change, but I will keep you informed of them. We will also try to let you know of any important alterations.

With a great deal of love to you all, I am,

Affectionately your brother,

Dictated May 6th.
Enclosure.

May 7th, 1901.

Mrs. C.P.Turner,

1906 Walnut Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Turner,

Your good note of April 26th is received.

I am venturing to send, herewith, a copy of my Imaginary Itinerary, and to say our last word of affectionate goodbye.

Ever your Friend,

Dictated May 4th.

Enclosure.

May 7th, 1909.

Miss Clara McMurtrie,

Huntingdon, PA.

My dear Aunt Clara:

I was so glad to get your good letter and delighted to know that Uncle Stewart is so well, and that everything is starting off so nicely for the Summer. I hope that you may have a good Summer in every way.

Will has just been down, having driven from Piermont. He came had a puncture, so we had hoped that he and Margaret might come down for dinner this evening, but they could not.

I enclose, herewith, a copy of a little statement which will be self-explanatory. It will be subject to many changes, of which I shall be [illegible] informed as [illegible] possible in advance.

With a great deal of love to all, I am

Your affectionate nephew,

[illegible]

Dictated May 4th.

Enclosure.

May 7th, 1909.

Mr. R.L.Ogden,

36 Wall Street,

New York City.

My dear Mr. Ogden:

I am very grateful for your most kind letter of yesterday, which is just received. There is only time for a word of acknowledgment. I shall take it with me to read over more carefully on the way, and shall often think of you as we move about in the country which you know so well.

With warm regard, I am

Very sincerely yours.

Directed May 8th.

May 7th, 1900.

The Rev. C. J. Johnston Royce,

Cambridge, ENGLAND,

My dear Mr. Royce

It was a great pleasure to get your note of April 23rd, and Mr. Peirce showed me, also, your good letter to him/ I had already learned from Mr. Peirce of your cable-gram, and while I need not say that we keenly regret giving up the hope of having you home, Mrs. Royce and I are filled with rejoicing at the prospect of your being in Bryn Mawr, where you can use your influence to meet the need in the College. I do hope and pray that nothing may interfere with your coming to them there. Mrs. Royce and I shall hope often to see you and Mrs. Royce after you have come, and shall count often to have you here in our house.

With kind regards from us both, I am

Ever your friend,

Dictated in Englewood.
May 6th.

May 7th, 1909.

Mr. John Mott,

c/ Brown, Shipley & Company,

London, E.C., ENGLAND.

My dear John:

I have read your good letter of April 13th, and I wish I could write at length in reply to it and the other good report letters. There is time only for a word of greeting and farewell as I am sailing to-morrow. I send, herewith, a copy of my itinerary, very rough and sure to undergo changes, but it will help you in remembering the work in your prayers.

Hoping to see you in the Fall, and with abiding affection, I am

Ever your friend,

Dictated May 6th.,

Encl: pure.

May 7th, 1909.

Miss Mary T. Prentice,
673 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Miss Prentice:

I am very grateful for your good note and the precious enclosure, and for all the friendship and prayer of the years past and the years to come. May God keep us all during these months and bring us all together again in the Fall.

Ever your true friend,

Dictated May 4th.

May 7th., 1909.

Miss Beatrice Abbott,

3715 Garfield Ave.,

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Miss Abbott:

Your letter to Mr. Speer has been received. I regret to say that Mr. Speer is not on his way to South America, and so will be unable to comply with your request.

Sincerely yours.

F. W. Fullin

Acting Secretary.

May 18th, 1916.

[illegible] W.Cooney,

[illegible], N.Y.

[illegible]

I have received the note made by one of my secretaries at the time of your visit, of the meeting on the third Sunday of October, 1916. I had hoped [illegible] but it is impossible to engage at this time to be there, especially as that is, as you know, the month of the Synod meetings, and I may have to be off in some distant part of the country. Last year I was in the Northwest for the month of October, the year before in the Southwest, and the year before that on the Pacific Coast. I shall be glad to [illegible], however, and if the way opens to be present, I shall be happy to come.

Very sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Dictated May 4th.

May 7th, 1909.

Mrs. Henry Dillon,
First Presbyterian Church,
Perth Amboy, N.J.

My dear Mrs. Dillon:

Your note of April 21st, with its kind invitation to Mr. Speer to address the Anniversary Meeting in April, 1910, was received just before he sailed for South America. He is expecting to return the latter part of October, however, and I would suggest your writing to him at that time, when he will be in a better position to arrange his schedule for next year.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

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May 10th, 1909.

William F. Slocum,

Colorado College, Colo.

Mr.Speer has gone to South America. Absent six months.

G. W. Fulton

Acting Secretary.

[illegible]

The Rev. D. M. Lyon,

[illegible]

Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mr. Lyon:-

Your letter of May 6th, addressed to Mr. Speer, to hand, as also the accompanying manuscript.

I regret to say that Mr. Speer sailed on May 5th for a six [illegible]

order.

Yours very sincerely,

George W. Fuller

[illegible]

George W. Fulton

May 13th, 1909.

Mr. H. T. Waller,

Young Men's Christian Association,

Cambridge, Mass.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of May 12th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

I regret to inform you that Mr. Speer is now en route to South America, to spend six months in visiting the Missions. He will not be back until the end of October and therefore will not be available for October 3rd. If you desire him for a later date, you might write him again after he gets back.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

May 14th, 1906.

Rev. A. F. von Tobel,
107 Chemung St.,
Athens, Ga.

Mr. Spear has gone to South America. Absent six months.

G.W.Hibbon,
Acting Secretary.

Comm'l.

May 25th, 1909.

Miss Josephine Holt,

47 Harrison Street,

Lestershire, N. Y.

My dear Miss Holt:-

Your letter to Mr. Speer under date of May 24th has been received.

Mr. Speer is now absent from the country on a six months' visit to our Missions in South America. He will return about the end of October. I am sure he will be glad to read this letter of yours, and to know that he has been able to do something to help you. I will place your letter on file where he can see it on his return.

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

May 26th. 1906.

Mrs. Robert E. Speer,

Englewood, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Speer:-

The enclosed letter has just come from Laura Ellinwood Wardee. It seems to be a personal letter in which you will be interested, and therefore I am sending it to you.

Very sincerely yours,

George W. Fuller
Acting Secretary.

May 26th, 1909.

Mr. C. J. Berkhalf,

1546 Highland St.,

Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Sir:-

Yours of the 24th inst to hand. Mr Speer is absent on a trip to South America and will not return for about six months.

If you will allow a thought or two from me on the subject of your letter, I may say that John 1:9-13 shows that men are inexcusable for rejecting the truth, also what they lose if they do reject it, and what they attain if they accept it. Of course, I take it that Jesus Christ is the personification of all truth. Pilate and Judas and the whole Jewish nation are Scriptural examples of the result of rejecting the truth: and over against them on the other side, may be placed Peter and John and Paul and those who were then called Gentiles, but who now make up the Christian world. A comparison of the conditions existing in heathen lands with those in Christian lands shows the difference, and the blessings that follow the acceptance of the truth. Midway between are the Latin races, the Slavs, etc., who have only dimly comprehended the truth, so that their growth and development have been stunted.

You have a broad subject, and there is much to said in regard to it. I trust that your meeting may be successful, and that your study of this subject may be very helpful to you.

I remain, Very sincerely yours.

George N. Fuller

May 26th, 1909.

Mr. W. R. Moody,

East Northfield, Mass.

Dear Mr. Moody:-

Your two communications, addressed to Mr. Speer under date of May 24th and 25th, have been received to-day.

I have to inform you that inasmuch as Mr. Speer is absent from the country for six months, it will not be possible for him to be present at either of the meetings mentioned in your letter.

Very sincerely yours,

George N. Fuller

Acting Secretary.

Mr. Henry H. Gregory,

Room 411, Terminal Building,

Park Avenue & 41st Street, City.

My dear Mr. Gregory:

Your notification, addressed to Mr. Speer, of the meeting of the Committee on Admissions, Indentures, and Discharges, to be held June 4th, has been received. Mr. Speer is absent from the country on a six months' trip to our Missions in South America, as you may know, and hence it will be impossible for him to be present.

Yours very truly,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Auxiliary Dept. Salvation [illegible],

[illegible] East 14th St.,

New York City.

My dear Sir:-

Your communication of the [illegible]th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

Mr. Speer, at the present time, is absent from the country and will not return until [illegible] of January. [illegible] he had better bring the matter referred to in your letter to his attention after his return.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Edgar Watkins

Private Secretary.

[illegible] Alexander Bell Drake,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Your communication of May 26th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received, also the manuscript which you sent.

Mr. Speer, I regret to say, is absent from the country at the present time and will not return until the end of October. [illegible] what shall I do with your manuscript? I will hold it here subject to your orders, and remain,

Sincerely yours,

George W. [illegible]
[illegible]

June 1st, 1909.

Mr. H. P. Reed,

Montrose,

Pa.

Dear Mr. Reed:-

Your communication of May 26th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received. Mr. Speer, at the present time, is absent from the country visiting our mission work in South America and will not return until the end of October.

I happen to know, however, that Mr. Speer entertains a very high opinion of Mr. Eddy's character and work. I don't know whether he would consider a call to your church or not.

I remain

Sincerely yours,

George W. Fiske
Acting Secretary.

[illegible]

Mr. Charles W. Deitrich,

Young Men's Christian Association,

Fulton & Broad Streets, Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Deitrich:-

Your letter of the 11th inst., addressed to Mr. Speer, [illegible] has been received.

I regret to inform you that Mr. Speer is absent at present in South America, visiting our Missions there, and will not return until the end of October. Of course, we cannot make any engagements for him during his absence, and I suggest that you take the matter up with him again after his return.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

[illegible]

Miss Jean Bowen,

My dear Miss Bowen:

Your letter of June 7th, together with Mr. Buttonji's recollections of Mr. Lowen, have been received.

Mr. Speer is at present abroad in South America visiting our Missions there and will not return until the end of October. I would therefore thank you in his behalf for your kindness in sending this information.

Very sincere yours,

Secretary to Mr. Robert E. Speer

The Rev. H. L. Myrick,

605 West 141st Street,

New York City.

My dear Sir:-

Your note of June 18th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

Mr. Speer is at present absent in South America, visiting our Missions there, and will not return until the end of October. It will be impossible, therefore, for him to accept your kind invitation for September 5th.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mr. Robert E. Speer.

June 17th, 1903

Mr. D. R. Moody,

East Northfield.

Mass.

My dear Mr. Moody:-

I acknowledge receipt of your notification to Mr. Speer of his election to the Board of Trustees of Mount Hermon, for the ensuing year.

I am sure, of course, that he will be glad to accept, but I am placing your letter where he can see it on his return.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Geo. H. Fuller

Acting Secretary.

[illegible], 1917.

Bishop [illegible],

[illegible] Street,

[illegible], Pa.

My dear Bishop Wilson:-

Your kind letter of June 22nd to Mr. Speer has just been received. It was necessary for me to open it, as Mr. Speer is in South America, visiting our Missions there, and will not return until the end of October, at which time I will see that your letter is brought to his attention.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mr. [illegible] Speer.

June 25th, 1909.

The Sunday School Times,

1031 Walnut St.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:-

In Mr. Speer's absence, I would acknowledge the receipt of your check for $5.10, in payment for copy for Young People's Prayer-Meetings for the first quarter of 1909, and thank you for the same.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mr. Robert E. Speer.

June 26th., 1909.

Mr. P.C.MacFarlane,

R.A.Long Building,

Kansas City, MO.

My dear Mr. MacFarlane:

Your letter of June 13th., addressed to L. Speer, was received two or three days ago. I note your request for an address at your Centennial Convention to be held in Pittsburgh, October 12th. I regret to inform you that Mr. Speer is absent, at present, visiting our Mission work in South America, and will not be back until the end of October. It will therefore be impossible for him to comply with your request.

Regretting the disappointment which this answer must give you, I remain

Sincerely yours,

George W Sutton

Acting Secretary.

June 26th, 1909.

Miss Helen D. Calder,

704 Congregational House,

14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Calder:

Your letter of June 21st, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received. I note that you desire his services for an address before the International Institute for Women's Foreign Missionary Societies on Saturday, October 2nd. I regret to inform you that Mr. Speer is in South America at present, visiting our Mission work, and will not return until the end of October. It will therefore be impossible for him to accept your invitation for October 2nd.

Regretting the disappointment which this reply must give you, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

June 26th, 1909.

The Rev. Allen Leslie Howard,

Kemptville,

Ontario, Canada.

My dear Mr. Howard:-

Your letter of June 19th came duly to hand. The Fleming H. Revell Company mailed for your manuscript, and it was delivered to them on June 22nd.

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Acting Secretary.

June 26th, 1909.

Mr. W. Frank Parsons,

105 East 22nd Street,

New York City.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of June 25th, addressed to Mr.Spear, containing an appeal for a widow with three children, has been received.

I regret to say that Mr. Spear is absent at present in South America, and will not return until the end of October. I will place your appeal where he can see it on his return.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

June 28th, 1909.

The Rev. David L. Roberts,

Mexico, New York.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of June 25th to Mr. Speer has been received, I am sorry to inform you that Mr. Speer at present is absent on a visit to our Missions in South America, and will not be back until the end of October. I note your request for an address by him at your Centennial exercises in September or October, 1910. Before Mr. Speer left, he requested me to hold until his return all invitations to make addresses for dates later than October. I shall therefore place your letter where he can see it, but will suggest that you bring the matter to his attention again after he gets back from his journey.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

June 29th, 1903.

The Sunday School Times,

Philadelphia, PA.

Dear Sirs:

Your check for $13.89, to Mr. Speer, for his article entitled "[illegible] Man of Prayer," has been received. It will be placed in Mr. Speer's personal account until his return.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

June 29th, 190[illegible].

A. T. Mahan, D.C.L., LL.D.,

Marshmere,

Quogue, Long Island.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of May 27th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has long remained on my desk unanswered. Mr. Speer has left the country for a six months' visit of our Missions in South America, and I am acting in his stead.

The book which you sent, entitled "The Harvest of the Sea," has also arrived, and Mr. Speer will be very glad to see it, I am sure, when he gets back. I will keep it for him, and no doubt he will be writing you again afterwards.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

July 1st, 1909.

Mr. Geo. R. Brunjes,

Chauncey,

N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of June 28th to Mr. Speer has been received. Mr. Speer is absent at present in South America, and will not be bac the latter part of October.

I am sorry, therefore, that he will not be able to help you get started in Mt. Hermon. I doubt, however, if he really could do anything, even if he were here, if, as you say, they have no further accomodations for students in the school. I would advise you simply to state your case fully to the faculty and trust them to do their best for you.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

July 7th, 1909.

The Rev. Nathan Wilbur Helm,
Phillips Exeter Academy,
Exeter, N. H.

My dear Mr. Helm:-

Your note of July 4th to Mr. Speer has been received. Mr. Speer will not be back from his South America trip until the end of October, but I will place your letter where he can see it on his return.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

July 7th, 1903.

The Rev. Robert F. Vinson, D.D.,

Austin,

Texas.

My Dear Sir:-

Your letter of June 3rd, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

Mr. Speer is now absent on a visit to our Missions in South America and will be absent until the end of October. I note your request for the addresses from him in Latin America early in December. Mr. Speer asked me to hold back any invitations of this kind until his return. I shall therefore place your letter where he will see it, but would suggest that you write him again on the subject the latter part of October. It is very questionable, however, whether you should depend upon him for such an early date after his return, as he will undoubtedly be very busy in connection with his own work, and there will be many demands made upon him.

Appreciating the kind sentiment which will prompt you in the presentation of your plans for your Conference, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Missionary Secretary.

July 17th., 1908.

Miss Lucy T. Maclin,

Braden, Fayette County,

[illegible]

My dear Miss Maclin:-

I am so sorry that Mr. Speer is not here so that he could answer your [illegible] of July 7th. He left on the 15th c. May to visit our missions in South America, and will not be back until the end of October. I will, however, place your letter where he will be sure to see it when he returns.

I wish I could tell you where to find the two addresses to which you refer. I [illegible] and have made inquiries of the Student Volunteer Movement as it is possible they were published by them. If I get any information, I shall of course let you know.

I am venturing to enclose two little books which Mr. Speer has been circulating among his friends. He considers "The Still Hour" almost the greatest book on prayer that we have, and although you may be familiar with it, perhaps you would enjoy reading it again.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Robert E. Speer.

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[illegible]

[illegible] letter of July 7th. I am very [illegible] of them, but Mr. Speer will undoubtedly be able to tell you definitely about them. I am sure he will read your letter in full just as soon as he has an opportunity after his return.

If there is anything further that we can do for you here, I hope you will write to us. I enclose a [illegible] which you may be interested in reading.

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[illegible]

July 11th, 19[illegible].

r. [illegible] S. Baker,

The Tome School for Boys,

Port Deposit, MARYLAND.

My dear Mr. Baker:

Your letter of July 8th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received in his absence on a visit to our Missions in South America. He is not expecting to return until the latter part of October, at which time your note will be brought to his immediate attention.

Very cordially [illegible],

[illegible]

July 28th, 1908.

Mr. A.P.Pitt,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Mr. Pitt:

I took the liberty of opening your letter of July 24th to Mr. Speer, marked "personal", as Mr. Speer gave me permission to do before he left for South America.

I shall hold your letter here until Mr. Speer's return, - the latter part of October - unless you really feel it is important enough to forward to him in South America. We are trying not to trouble him at all with any office matters while he is away. I shall be glad to send it on to him, however, if that is your desire.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

July 28th, 1922.

Mr. Harry A. Gifford,
Room 916, Municipal Building,
Park Avenue & 41st Street, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gifford:

Not long before the death of Mr. Speer of various meetings of the West Park Juvenile League were to be held from time to time, I believe Mr. Speer would have been before leaving for South America, but he would not be in New York until the end of October, so that it would be impossible for him to attend any of the meetings until that time. I am taking this occasion, however, to notify you again of this loss of his absence, in order to save you the trouble of sending any more notices to him.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

July 23th, 1907.

John Henderson, Esq.,
Ulbster, Wick,
SCOTLAND.

Dear Mr. Henderson:

Your note of July 19th, requesting Mr. Speer to address one of your Union meetings during his stay in Scotland, has been received in his absence on a visit among our Missions in South America. He will not be returning before the end of October. Before his departure, he requested that all invitations such as yours be referred to Dr. Robson, who is taking charge of all Mr. Speer's speaking engagements at the time of his visit to Scotland. I would advise you, therefore, to communicate with Dr. Robson, who may be addressed as follows:

The Rev. George Robson, D.D.,
36 Murrayfield Road,
Edinburgh, Scotland.

Trusting that you may be successful in securing Mr. Speer's services, I remain

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

July 28th. 1909.

Mr. H.T. Kividge.

Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Kividge:

Your letter of invitation to Mr. Speer of July 25th. has come to his office during his absence in South America on a visit among our Mission work. He is not expecting to return until the latter part of October, at which time your communication will be brought to his kind attention.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

August 6th, 1909.

Miss Emma Morris,

97 State Street,

Perth Amboy, N.J.

My dear Miss Morris :

Your letter of August 4th addressed to Mr. Speer as "Personal" reached his office this morning, and in accordance with Mr. Speer's instructions before leaving I opened it. We are trying to trouble Mr. Speer with as little mail as possible while he is away, and unless you advise me to the contrary, I shall hold your kind letter here until his return, when it shall be brought to his immediate attention.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

August 6th, 1909.

Miss Winifred Austin,

East Norton, Mass.

My dear Miss Austin:

Your letter of August 3rd, addressed to Mr. Speer, reached his office during his absence in South America on a trip among our Missions there. Before he left he requested that all invitations for addresses be retained here until his return, so that I shall hold your note until he gets back. I hope that he may be able to arrange to visit the School, for I know what an inspiration his words will be to the young ladies.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

Mr. Speer is expecting to get back about the end of October.

August 9th, 1897.

Mr. H.F.Cutler,
Mt. Hermon Boys' School,
Mt. Hermon, Mass.

My dear Mr. Cutler:

Your kind invitation of August 7th to Mr. Speer, to attend the Commencement Exercises of the Mount Hermon High School, has been received in his absence on a visit among our Missions in South America. We are not expecting to return until the end of October, so that it will be impossible, of course, for him to accept your invitation. I have forwarded your note to him. Dwight, however, who is staying at Ogden Park, Pa., who I doubt whether who will be able to attend the Exercises.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am

Very cordially yours.

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

August 16th, 1909.

The Rev. W. H. Griffith Thomas, D.D.,

Wycliffe Lodge,

Oxford, England.

My dear Dr. Thomas:-

Your kind note of August 4th, to Mr. Speer, enclosing a check for the use of the Bible in the CHINESE, has been received in his absence in South America, where he is visiting our Missions. He is expected to return the last of October, when he will see your note and the MANUSCRIPT, which has also been received.

Very sincerely yours,

August 13th, 1909.

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1001 Walnut Street,

[illegible], Pa.

My dear Mrs.-

Your letter of August 10th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

I value your request for a continuation of contributions from [illegible] for the Young People's Prayer Meeting Topics of THE SUNDAY SCHOOL [illegible], for the first six months of 1910. I thought it wise to inform you that Mr. Speer will not return until the end of October. Your letter will be placed for his inspection, but of course I cannot say whether you can depend on him or not, nor do I know whether that time will be too late for your purpose.

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Very sincerely yours,

Eleanor M. Fulton

Assistant Secretary.

Mrs. Caroline E. Heywood,

Holyoke,

My dear Mrs. Heywood:-

Your letter of August 15th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

[illegible] Mr. Speer is absent at present and will not return until the end of October. However, I will place your letter where he can see it on his return.

I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

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August 20th., 1909.

Dr. Phillip D. Schuyler,

Cardillus, N. Y., R.F.D.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of August 18th, inviting Mr. Speer to [illegible] your Anniversary on October 13th, has been received in [illegible] South America, where he is visiting our Missions. As he will not return until the end of October, it will of course be impossible for him to accept the invitation.

Very sincerely yours,

[signature]

Acting Secretary.

August 10th, 1917.

Mr. Frank J. Lorenzen,

[illegible] Street,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of July 30th, addressed to Mr. Lane, at Lima, [illegible] and it appears he is in South America, [illegible] there, and will not return until the end of [illegible] it is impossible for him to give your request attention at the present time.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

August 30th, 1901.

The Rev. Clinton T. Crabbs

Lexington,

Va.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of August 28th, addressed to Mr. Hooker has been received. I note your desire to secure his services the coming week end in October, but believe we talked you until Mr. Hooker is present engagement at a time in which Andrew will not return until the end of January. Regarding his instructions, we are holding them by instructions of his friends for whom he acts legal. I will place your letter where Andrew can see it, but would suggest that you write him again about the end of January.

The note which you indicate is one which lies very close to the Master's heart, and I am sure that if he finds it possible to accept, he will be glad to go to you.

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

September 3rd, 1909.

Mr. George C. St John,

Wallingford,

Conn.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of September 1st, to Mr. Spear, has been received, and also the catalogue.

Mr. Spear is absent in South America, having left us last May, and will not be back until the end of October. I note your request to him for an address to your boys, and as he is very much interested in that work, I am sure he will be glad to perform the service some time. I am placing your letter on file, among many others that we are holding for this purpose, but would suggest that you write him again about the end of October, or in November.

I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

Mr. Clifford M. Barnes,

Lake Shrine Building,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Barnes:

Your letter of September 7th to Mr. Speer has been received. I regret to inform you that Mr. Speer is at present in South America, as I am not sure, and will not be returning until the end of October. I make your request for an address from him before your Sunday Evening Club, but we are unable to make any engagements for him, and we are instructed to hold here all such invitations for dates after November 1st. I imagine that Mr. Speer will be very busy immediately after he gets back, and will not be able to make engagements at a very early date, but I would suggest that you communicate with us again on the subject after he returns.

In the meantime, I will place your letter where he will be able to see it on his return.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

September 10th., 1909.

Mr. Henry Tod,

45 North Castle Street,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Mr. Tod:

Your letter of September 1st, addressed to Mr. Speer, enclosing the minute of the Duff Missionary Lectureship, was duly received.

We shall hold this letter and Minute here until Mr. Speer's return, which will be in the latter part of October.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

September 7th, 1921.

The Sunday School Timer,
1031 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

I beg to acknowledge, in the absence of Mr. Speer, your check for $13.89 for Mr. Speer's editorial entitled "Paul the Christian." We shall hold the same here until his return, the latter part of October.

Very cordially yours,

[illegible] Speer.

September 15th, 1900.

Mrs. A.J.Shaw,

Monmouth, Ill.

My dear Mrs. Shaw:

I have been desirous of communicating with you ever since our return to the United States. Even now I do not know that I have your correct address, but I am venturing to write to you in Monmouth trusting that my letter will be forwarded in case you are not there.

You remember your daughter Kate left some articles of furniture in Kanagawa, which we have been trying to dispose of. There are still a very few things left, but I have $14. in trust for you, as the proceeds from what has already been sold. I will be glad to send this to you just as soon as I can be sure of your whereabouts.

I am at present in the Board Rooms, taking Mr. Speer's work during his absence in South America. We are expecting to return to Japan in the near future, leaving this country probably early in November.

With regards to you and hopes that this letter may reach you and find you in good health and happiness, I remain

Sincerely your friend,

[illegible]

The Rev. John Marshaw,

President Charleston Bible Society,

Charleston, S. C.

My dear Sir:-

Your kind letter of September 21st, addressed to Mr. Speer, has just been received.

Mr. Speer left us last May for a visit to our Missions in South America and will not return until the [illegible] October. I am sorry to say, also, that he is expecting to be in Scotland in January and February, delivering some missionary lectures; so that it will be impossible for him to accept your invitation to speak [illegible] Bible Society. Perhaps at some other time he may be able to serve you.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mr. Robert E. Speer.

September 25th, 1909.

President James G.K.McClure,

4208 North Halsted Street,

Chicago, Ill.

Spear in South America. Return latter part October. Doubt acceptance of invitation. Letter.

C.A.Peach.

September 24th, 1920.

President James G.K.McClure,
2348 North Halstead Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. McClure:

I have just sent you a telegraph message in response to your letter of September 23rd, addressed to Mr. Speer, inviting him to [illegible] Seminary Celebration on November 2nd. You doubtless know that Mr. Speer left New York in May to visit our Missions in South America, and we are not expecting him to return until the latter part of October. Of course, there is nothing very definite about the date of his return, and it may be that he will not get back until the first week in November, but at any rate, you will have to make your plans in advance for the speakers you are to have and that will necessitate your eliminating Mr. Speer's name from the programme. We cannot reach him at any mail address at this date, and of course cannot make engagements for him.

I am very sorry indeed that Mr. Speer is not to be with you, and trust that you may have no difficulty in securing another speaker.

I shall put your letter where Mr. Speer will see it immediately upon his return, when he will reply to your enquiry with reference to the course on Missions on the John Y. Converse foundation of McCormick Seminary.

Very cordially yours,

Secretary to Mr. Speer.

September 27th, 1909.

The Rev. Arthur B. Fleming,

First National Bank Building,

Tamaqua, PA.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of September 24th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

I am exceedingly sorry to cause you disappointment again in the matter of securing Mr. Speer as a speaker at your Young People's Missionary Rally in December. Mr. Speer is at present in South America and will not be back until the end of October. We are holding many invitations to him for addresses which he will have to decide upon after his return, and I am unable to say whether he can comply with your request or not. I will place your letter on file for his perusal, but would suggest that you write to him again early in November, in case you feel like holding yourself in a state of uncertainty so long.

In the hope that you may be able to get him and the benefit of his strong appeal for Missions in your city, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

October 4th, 1909.

The Rev. Alexander Sprunt,

First Presbyterian Church,

Charleston, S.C.

Dear Mr. Sprunt:

Your note of October 2nd, requesting Mr. Speer's [illegible], has been received in his absence on a visit among our Missions in South America. I can only repeat what I replied to a similar letter from Dr. Mershaw, - that I shall hold your request here until Mr. Speer's return, the latter part of this month, and suggest that you communicate with him again early in November. I do sincerely hope that he may be able to do as you request, but in view of his long absence from New York, and the fact that he will be going to Scotland in January and February, there is a likelihood that he may have to disappoint you. He will be able to answer you definitely, however, when he returns.

With best wishes for the success of the Centennial Celebration, I remain

Very cordially yours,

George N. Fuller

Acting Secretary.

Very cordially yours,

George M. Fullon.

October 4th, 1909.

Mr. W.H.Parkin,

[illegible] Broad Street,

Elizabeth, N.J.

Dear Mr. Parkin:

Your letter of October 3rd, addressed to Mr. Speer, has come to my hand in his absence on a visit among our Missions in South America. We are not expecting him back until the end of October, and I presume it will be too late then for him to give the assistance you desire, but if a letter from him will be effective at that time, I would advise you to communicate with him again early in November.

Very cordially yours,

George N. Fullon.

Editorial Secretary.

October 7th, 1909.

The Rev. John [illegible], D.D.,

President Charlestown Bible Society,

Charlestown, S. C.

My dear Dr. [illegible]-

Your letter of the 5th. of October has just been received. As you request, it will be filed with your former communication for Mr. Speer's consideration after his return, which will be about the end of October.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

[signature]

Acting Secretary.

October 7th, 1909.

The Rev. George Robson, D.D.,

36 Murrayfield Road,

Edinburgh, Scotland.

My dear Dr. Robson:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of the 28th of September, addressed to R. Speer. Mr. Speer we suppose is at present at Barranquilla or en route to Guatemala and will be returning here about the end of October. As we cannot reach him by mail any more, your letter will be held here in the office for his inspection after his return.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary.

October 7th, 1909.

President A. R. Taylor,

Decatur,

Ills.

My dear President Taylor:-

Your note of October 5th to Mr. Speer has been received.

Mr. Speer is in South America at present, but will be returning about the end of October. There are so many calls already in hand for his services after his return that I can hardly encourage you to hope for his acceptance of your invitation to speak at the State Brotherhood Convention at Jacksonville, November 10th. But I will place your letter among others for his inspection after his return from his South American trip.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

October 7th, 1909.

A. N. Marquis & Company,

324-26 Dearborn St.,

Chicago, Ills.

Dear Sirs:-

Your communication of October 4th to Mr. Spear is at hand.

Mr. Spear is in South America at present and will be returning at the end of October. I will place your letter, together with the personal sketch for "Who's Who in America" where he can see it after he gets back.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

George M. Bond
Acting Secretary.

October 9th, 1909.

Dr. John Bancroft Devins,

156 Fifth Ave.,

New York City.

My dear Dr. Devins:-

Your request for an address from Mr. Speer at the Annual Dinner of the Presbyterian Union, December 6th, will be held for Mr. Speer's consideration after his return, which will be about the end of October.

Very sincerely yours,

Acting Secretary.

My Dear Dave-

Your communication [illegible] addressed to Mr. [illegible] has been received.

I regret to have to inform you that Mr. Speer is absent at present in South America and will not return until the end of October. I would therefore be unable to arrange your participation in the Annual Convention Nationals which [illegible]

Regretting the disappointment and [illegible] may cause you, but which is unavoidable, and trusting that you may succeed in finding the right man for the position, I remain,

Yours [illegible]

George W. Fuller

The Rev. Elmer Ferguson,

Milo.

My dear Sir:-

Your communication of October 7th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received. Mr. Speer is at present absent on a visit to our Mission work in South America and will not be returning until the end of October. I will place your request before him as soon as he gets back, as it is not possible any longer to consult him by mail, and you will doubtless be hearing from him early in November.

I might say, however, that the Trustees [illegible] Conference, as I believe he is expected to do, it will be impossible for him to be with you on June 23rd. I write this simply to prevent your being too sanguine as regards his acceptance, but, however, that if it be possible for him to be with you on that date, he will embrace the opportunity to address your audience. I shall be glad to hear from Mr. Speer personally shortly.

At any rate, I am sure you will [illegible] at your convenience, and remain,

Very sincerely yours,

George N. Fullon
Assistant Secretary.

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Yours truly,

George N. Fulton.

Mrs. Frederick Fa[illegible],
[illegible] Liberty Str[illegible],
[illegible]wton, Ohio.

My [illegible] of October 11[illegible] has just reached
this office. I [illegible] we have [illegible] Sabbath for
Mrs. Ellen to [illegible] the great meeting [illegible] Women's Missionary
[illegible] in Washington, D.C. on Nov[illegible] 14th. [illegible] and
[illegible] it [illegible] to be [illegible] already
[illegible] Mrs. Ellen's request for [illegible], I see no reason that
we will [illegible].

[illegible] express to you [illegible] Mary and White
[illegible] plan to meet [illegible] Sunday in October, and
Dr. Kellogg [illegible] be [illegible] Sabbath at Englewood.

[illegible]

George I. Fa[illegible]

October 14th, 1909.

The Rev. J. O. C. McCracken,

Johnstown,

Pa.

My dear Mr. McCracken:-

Your letter of October 13th, addressed to Mr. Speer, has been received.

Mr. Speer is at present in South America and will not be back until the end of October, or possibly early in November. Knowing that having been absent since May he will be very busy for a considerable time after his return, I feel under the necessity of declining, in his behalf, your cordial invitation for the Johnstown Young People's Convention, on the evening of November 4th.

I note your request for some one to take his place in case he cannot accept, and, after consultation with Dr. Halsey, I would suggest that you might possibly get the Rev. W. C. Johnson, returned missionary from Africa, who is residing at Washington, Pa., to fill the place. I am sure he would make a good address. Dr. Halsey also suggests Dr. Marshall Lee, of Pittsburg. I hope that you may be able to find some one who will render you good service. We have also received a letter from Dr. Hayes on the same subject; and if you will kindly communicate the substance of this reply to him, I will not write directly to him in answer to his letter.

Very cordially yours,

Acting Secretary.

October 14th., 1910.

The Rev. L.M. Husbourn,

Storm Lake, Iowa.

Dear Mr. Husbourn:

I acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 11th inst. to Mr. Speer, desiring an address from him on July 27th, 1910. In Mr. Speer's absence in South America we cannot arrange any appointments for him, but I will place your letter where he will see it on his return, about the end of October.

George N. Fuller

Mr. Frank M. Polson,

16 Elm Street,

Worcester, Mass.

My dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your invitation to Mr. Speer to be present with you at the time of the Laymen's Missionary Movement Convention. Mr. Speer will be returning about the end of October, and your communication will be placed among the many which he has to consider and decide upon when he gets back. I know he is interested in this Laymen's Missionary Movement, and if it is at all possible I am sure he will be glad to be with you.

I remain,

Yours [illegible],

George W. Dutton

October 18th, 1909.

Mr. Alfred S. Day.
215 American Building,
Baltimore, MD.

Dear Mr. Day:

Your communication of October 15th to Mr. Speer has been received. Mr. Speer is not yet back from his South American trip and will not reach his office before the end of October. Your letter will be placed where he can see it. I hesitate to give you any assurance that he will be able to comply with your request for an address before the State C.E.Convention on the evening of November 11th. He has already received many invitations and will be an exceedingly busy man after his return.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

George W. Fullon
Acting Secretary.

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